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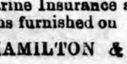

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OLYMPIA	C F Osborne, R.N.R.	5124	25th	Nov.
SCINDIA	Shafto Abrey	5106	9th	Dec.
MASSILIA	J. Thomson	5091	28th	Dec.
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A. MUIRHEAD,
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Bombay, the 26th September, 1905.

BOMBAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

WITH reference to the Notification, dated 18th instant NOTICE is hereby given that the measurement of OIL CAKE will be proceeded with in the Godowns of Messrs. Ralli Brothers, M. Lane Dana Bunder, (opposite the Prince's Dock) on THURSDAY, 28th instant, at 11 A. M., when the attendance of those interested is invited.

By Order of the Committee,
J. B. LESLIE-ROGERS,
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Chamber of Commerce,
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By order,
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By order of the Board,
H. S. JOHNSTON,
Ag. Manager.

Bombay, 22nd September, 1905.

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2. Forms of tender can be obtained on application to the Inspector-General of Police, Poona.

3. Sealed Tenders addressed to the Inspector-General of Police, at Poona, will be received at his Office during office hours on the 15th October, 1905.

4. The Inspector-General of Police does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

5. A sample Tin Kit Box can be seen and information as to the approximate number required obtained at the office of the Inspector-General of Police, at Poona, on any day (holidays and Sundays excepted), between 11 A. M., and 4 P. M.

L. H. SPENCE,
For Inspector-General of Police.

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3. Separate tenders should be submitted for articles of Clothing and Leather Goods. Sealed tenders addressed to the Inspector-General of Police at Poona will be received at his Office during office hours on the 1st. December, 1905.

4. The Inspector-General of Police does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

5. Samples of the articles required can be seen and information as to the approximate number of each article to be supplied obtained at the Office of the Inspector-General of Police at Poona on any day (Holidays and Sundays excepted), between 11 A.M. and 1 P.M.

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Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice B TYERJEE.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Short Cause

472-02—Edgelow G and W—Cursondas Premji and another vs Cursondas Nathoo—Wadia G and Co.
579-02—Tyabji D and Co—Yusonji Mahamji and others vs Khimji Kanji.
715-04—In person—Brijmohan Shedmal vs Buldeoshahi Jeharmul and another.
297-05—Bhaishunker K and G—Manibhai Goculbhai and another vs Ramprasad Mulchand.
324-05—Wadia G and Co—Oomaji Nathaji and Co vs Memon Abubaker Mooleji and another—Mulla and M.
398-05—In person—Cooverji Ludha vs Hirji Meghji.
566-05—Mirza and M—Jeewaji Jafferji vs Bhagirathibai widow and another—Chitnis and M Captain and V
577-03—Wadia G and Co—Lalji Kessonji and others vs Govindji Viram—In Person
596-05—Nadirsha and P—Khetsidas Samratbhai vs Jankidas Dinamull and others
666-03—S B Noble—J H Elliot and Co Limited vs Hassanally Joewahboy Thandvala
669-03—Thakurdas and Co—Hormusji Nusserwanji Vakil vs Syed Sirdar Alikhan—J P Dastur
674-05—Sorabji and J—Mary Agnes DeMello vs Elisiens DeMello—Maganlal J and G
Undefended New Long Causes.
494-05—Payne and Co—Tyabally Desaiji and others vs Koorbanali Ahmedjibhai and others
536-05—Ardeser H and Co—Shumshudin Dhailay and others vs Lecabhai Devekra
541-05—Ardeser H D and Co—Mulla Jusufalli Adamji Mijagarawalla vs Karimbhoy Thavarbhoy andanother
Long Cause.
613-04—Thakurdas and Co—Velji Soonderji and Co—vs Sarabhai Vajesflanker and others—Bhaishunker K and G and Little and Co Part heard

Before the Hon. Mr. Justice CHANDAVARKAR,

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Cause.

836-04—Nanu H and Co—Raghunathjie Mulchand vs Varjivandas Madhavji and another Bicknell M and R Part heard

Short Causes.

645-05—Mehta and D—Ahmed Ebrahim vs Haji Moosa Esmail—Captain and V

For taking evidence.

In the matter of the Indian Arbitration Act and in the matter of the arbitration between Maneckbai of the first part, Mulji Huridas of the second part and Mathuradas Canji of the 3rd part
Dikshit D and S—Maneckbai—Petitioner Mulji Huridas and another Respondents—Upvalla and P

For an exparte decree.

554-05—Bhaishunker K and G—Joshi Juggonath Dewji vs Parwatibai widow Mulji and L Part heard

Long Causes.

17-05—Mansukhlal J and H—Bai Dhuncore vs Tulsidas Bhugwandas Little and Co

Commercial Cause.

581-05—Crawford B and Co—N C Macleod vs M C Michailidi and Co and another B and N

Long Causes.

333-05—Dikshit D and S—Lalji Ramji vs Haridas Gokuldas and others—M B Chothia
404-04—M B Chothia Laxmidas Gordhundas and others vs The Administrator General of Bombay and others—Dikshit D and S.
550-05—Bhaishunker K and G—Joshi Jagonath Dewji vs Parwatiba widow—Mulji and D
355-05—Matubhoy J and M—Damji Hirji vs Rutton widow—Captain and V
275-3789—Tyabji B and P—Hargawandas Hathidas vs Bhawoo and others—Chitnis and M
313-10319-05—Dikshit D and S —John Michael Simon Adamji Peerbhoy and others—Bicknell M and R
369-05—Matubhoy J and N—Shamsudin Hyderji vs Isabh Shaik Yeb Thanawalla—Little and Co
250-02—Dikshit D and S—Kanjee Bhanjee vs Devram Keshavjee In—Person
409-04—Ardeser H D and C—Kharshedjee Byramjee vs Ardeser Jeevanjee and another
53-04—Nadirsha and T—For bauser Bhanibai widow vs Viljee Khoda and others—K B Mehta

Before the Hon. Mr. Justice BATCHELOR.

For Consent decree.

632-04—Ardeser H D and Co—Fatmabai vs Jan Mahomed Haji Mucky and others—Shamrao and M and K J Billimoria
636-04—Ardeser H D and Co—Joosub Haji Mahomed vs Jan Mahomed Haji Muckey—Shamrao and M

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

319-05—Pestonji B and K—Bhawoo Bapoo and another vs Cooverji Jamsetji Daruvalla—Ardesir H D and Co—For Postponment
103-05—M B Chothia—Bomanji Shapurji Chothia vs Dayabhai Harkisson.
60-00—Thakur as and Co—Dewkavahoo vs Hiravahoo widow and others—Little and Co and Thakurdas and Co
253-04—Mirza and M—Kashibai widow vs Mahomedally Abdool Hoosein—Little and Co
860-04—K B Mehta—Bai Battanbai widow vs Shah Versey Khairaj and others
650-03—Tyabjee D and Co—Raja Goculdas vs Khushalchand and others vs The Bank of Bombay and others—Crawford B and Co and Thakurdas and Co
1-05—Jehangir and S—Madhavjee Dayal and another vs Motinavahoo widow and another—Crawford B and Co and Thakurdas and Co.
345-05—Maganlal J and G—Vullee Mahomed Peer Mahomed vs G A Ellis—In person.
290-05—Mansukhal J and H—Khimjee Purshotum and others vs Vithaldas Ramdas and others—M B Chothia.
576-04—Little and Co Runchordas Vithuldas and another vs Kesserbai widow and others—Thakurdas and Co
748-04—Wadia G and Co—Devkaran Ja Ramchanjee vs Rampartap Buldeodas—Tyabji D and Co
425-04—Captain and V—Sarabai widow vs Rabiabai widow and others—Thakurdas and Co
249-02—Pestonji R and K—Ebaji Oomersey and others vs Waliahuradas and others—Tyabji D and Co
552-02—Capts and V—Thacker Vasanji Hirji vs Thacker Damodhar Malhonji and others—Payne and Co
728-03—Maganlal J and G Bainbhan Bhikaji vs Balwantrao Bapu Sakharam and others—Ardeser H D and Co

Before The Prothonotory.

For Investigation of Pauperism.

19-05—In Person—Mahomed Alli Moosaji vs Sarafalli Mamooji and another—K J Billimoria
21-05—In Person—Adamji Hasooji vs Ebrahimji Ahmedbhoy and another

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Julia Park, 1867 tons, Captain W H Smith, arrived in harbour on Sunday from Cochin 21st September in ballast.

THE Hall Line steamer Stanley Hall, 2659 tons, Captain T B Nuttall, sailed yesterday for Karachi, with the same bottom cargo.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Waroonga, 1603 tons, Captain S Boon, sailed yesterday for Persian Gulf, with a general cargo 2 cabin and 20 deck passengers.

THE German East Africa Line steamer Somali, 1623 tons, Captain Winiker, sailed yesterday for Zanzibar, &c, with a general cargo and 12 cabin and 250 deck passengers.

THE Anchor Line steamer Arabia, 2330 tons, Captain G Read, arrived in harbour yesterday from Liverpool 29th August with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Mr H Anderson, Mr B C Bullock, Mrs C M Carter, Mr E P Chesterfield, Mr L J D Gibson, Mr W Greengrass, Miss Greengrass, Mr F M Howlett, Mr A G Lewis, Mr F B Nicholson and Mr R C Rappa.

ARRIVAL OF THE CHINA AND AUSTRALIAN MAILS.

THE P and O S N Co's steamer Bengal, 2751 tons, Captain W W Cooke, R.N.R., arrived in harbour yesterday from Shanghai 5th September, with China and Australian Mails, a general cargo and the following passengers:—From Hongkong—Mr Joosub, Mr C R Luxmondas. From Colombo—Mr O H H Joliffe, Mrs E P Mistry, Miss E W Kleinson, Mr A S Creighton, Mr W A Bournaschiff, Captain A J P Coke. From Lago Bay—Mrs Acres, and Miss Hawker, Mr G Hogshaw, and Mr J Harris. From Hobart—Lieut G A F Cox. From Sydney—Mr E Pauling and Mr M Khan.

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VESSELS IN DOCKS.

PRINCES DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destinations.	Dats.	Agents.
A	Stanley Hall	2709	...	Muttall	K'chi ..	25-9 K N & Co
B	Malta	3900	.....	Peters	London	30-9 P & O Co
C	& R Somasi	1629	.....	Winkler	26-9	A Strandes
D	& E Querimba	1937	.....	Smith ...	Madras ..	23-9 M M & Co
F	Clan Robertson	3104	Oily ...	Chittagong	3-10	F Muir & Co
G	Edendale	715	Moss	Singapore ..	26 9 S M S	Anglis
H	Clan Sinclair	1372	Sheriffs ..	R S Ports	2-9 S & P S N Co
K	Upara	3383	Cedekirck	Hull	5-10 M M & Co
L	Fairy Queen	.....	.....	Harbour Ferry Service	
M	Nowshera	1961	Farquharson ...	Kiparly ...	M M & Co
O	Bengal	2751	Cooke	China	17-10 P & O Co
Q	Firoze	2098	de Lorne ...	B S ports ...	5-10 S & P S N Co

H W P D.

Sabarmati	574	Ahmed ...	Mangalore ...	29-9	Shepherd & Co
Indravati	513	Mahomed ...	Bunder	21-9	Shpd & Co
Banadurt	829	Fakeera ...	K'chi ...	27-9 ...	Shepherd & Co

M. D. D. P. D.

Henzada	1340	Elloo	.....	M M & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

1	Arcadia	3513	Cubitt	China	3-10 P & O Co
3	Istrar	2979	Jacob	Antwerp	7-10 K N & Co
5	Mazagon	3690	... Hall ...	China	24-9 ... P & O S N Co
6	Imperator	2320	..... Mosca ...	Trieste	A L S N Co
6	Countfisl	...	Martin	Japan	30-9 T Morrison
7	Trieste Mistrorigo	.....	.....	Kobe 26-7 ...	A L S N Co
9	Bheinfels	3540	Liris	K'chi ...	3-10 Glade & Co
15	Linga	941	.....	Rickford ...	K'chi 22-9 M M & Co
16	Julia Park ..	1868	Smith ...	London ...	30 9 E Latham & Co

ARRIVALS.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
21	Julia Park s	Smith	Cochin, Sept 21
25	Bengal s	Cooke	Shanghai, Sept 5
	Arabia s	Read	Liverpool, Aug 29
	R I M S Hardinge	McArthur ...	Karachee, Sept 23

DEPARTURES.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
25	Waroonga s	Boon	Persian Gulf
	Stanley Hall s	Nuttall	Karachi
	Somali s	Winkler ...	Zanzibar, &c
	R I M S Hardinge ..	McArthur ...	Calcutta

The steamer Trieste, Mistrorigo, for Kobe, obtained her portclearance yesterday.

The following vessels began to load yesterday:—
Steamer Julia Park, for London, &c
„ Bengal, for China, &c
„ Arabia, for Marseilles, Liverpool, &c
„ Kapurthala, for Persian Gulf, &c
„ Dragfred, for Bangkok

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Sept	Vessel	From
22	Teesta	Straits
22	Nevasa	Calcutta

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

THE Austrian Lloyd's steamer Austria, from Japan left Colombo on the evening of the 24th instant and is expected here on Thursday morning or on the 28th instant.

The Florio and Rubattino Co's steamer Ischia, left Singapore for Bombay on the 25th instant.

The N Y K Chartered steamer Caithness, arrived at Hongkong on the afternoon of the 23rd instant.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

SQUADRON ORDERS, BY MAJOR. T. W. CUFFE
A. D. C. COMMANDING.

Bombay, September 26 1905.

1 There will be drill for all members at the Riding School to-day, Tuesday, the 26th instant, at 7 a m. Dress—Khaki,

By Order,
T. W. CUFFE, Major
Commanding B. L. H

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. E. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D. COMMANDING.

Bombay, September 26 1905.

1 Arms and equipment will be issued to members at Head-Quarters on and after 1st October, between the hours of 6-30 a m and 5 p m.

2 Copies of the Annual Report 1904-05 have been received from the Press and can be obtained on application at Head-Quarters.

3 The following members having joined are taken on the strength of the Corps from this date and posted to "F" Company:—No 101 Vol J Johnstone, V C, No 6013 Vol H Beale, and No 6014 Vol B Gordon.

By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R,

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ORDERS.

("Gazette of India," September 23.)

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Lieut-Col R E S Taylor Cantonment Magte Ambala is promoted to be a Cantonment Magte on staff pay of Rs 500 a month with effect from the 28th Aug.

The services of Mr F H Tucker Dist. Supdt of Police Bengal are placed at the disposal of the Hon the Chief Commr of Assam.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND AGRICULTURE.

Mr G A Knight Extra Asst Supdt 2nd Grade Survey of India is promoted to be Extra Asst Supdt 1st Grade with effect from the 17th July.

Lieut-Col G B Hodgson I A officiating Deputy Surveyor Genl is confirmed in that appointment with effect from the 31st Aug vice Brevet-Col R A Wahab C I E R E retired,

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr R G Kennedy and Mr J J Mullaly are appointed respectively Chief Engr and Secy and Chief Engr and Joint Secy in the Irrigation Branch to the Hon the Agent to the Govr-Genl and Chief Commr North-West Frontier Province,

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT,

Lieut Col C G F Fagan a Political Agent of the 3rd class is appointed to officiate as a Political Agent of the 2nd class and is granted privilege leave for three months with effect from the 1st Sept combined with furlough for eleven months.

Mr H C Clogston Asst to the Agent to the Govr-Genl in Rajputana is appointed to hold charge of the current duties of the office of Political Agent in the Eastern States of Rajputana.

Mr E H S Clark C I E a Political Agent of the 2nd class is appointed to be a Deputy Secy to the Govt of India in the Foreign Dept.

Mr C L S Russell Under Secy is appointed to officiate as a Deputy Secy to the Govt of India in the Foreign Dept.

Mr F V Gabriel Under Secy reverts to officiating Under Secy to the Govt of India in the Foreign Dept.

Mr G W Marshall is confirmed as Register of the Foreign Dept with effect from the 18th Sept vice Mr J Scott.

Mr A Warden officiating Asst to the Resident at Baroda in the Okhamanda Dist and Commdt of the Wagher Corps is granted leave on medical certificate for twelve months in extension of privilege leave.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

The undermentioned officers are admitted to the Indian Army with effect from the dates specified subject to confirmation by the Secy of State for India:—

Lieuts—Robert Hepworth Gibson 2nd Battn Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regt attached as a supernumerary to the 1st Battn Bedfordshire Regt Double Coy Officer 118th Infy—17th Aug. Alexander McCulloch Jameson 1st Battn King's Own Scottish Borderers attached as a supernumerary to the 2nd Battn Gordon Highlanders officiating Squadron Officer 19th Duke of Connaught's Lancers (Watson's Horse)—21st August. and Sydney Trepess Polley 1st Battn West India Regt attached as a supernumerary to the 1st Battn Seaforth Highlanders double Coy Officer 130th Baluchis—15th August.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, SEPT. 23.

SECURITIES—

2 3-4 per cent. Consols	£93 1-2	=	+ 1/16
3 do. Rentes	£99 3-4	=	unchanged
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan	£104 1-4	=	do
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	£66 7/16	=	do

SILVER—

Spot in London	23 5-8	=	+ 1-8
2 months hence	23 1-16	=	+ 1-8
Spot in New York	61 3-4	=	+ 1-4

EXCHANGES—

Paris cheques	20'15 1-2	=	— 1/2
Berlin „	20'43	=	unchanged
New York Demand	4'85 1/4	=	do

DISCOUNTS—

Bank of England	3	per cent =	do
3 months sight Bank Bills ...	3	per cent =	do
6 „ „ „	3 1/4	per cent =	do
6 „ „ „ Fine Trade Bills	3 3-8	per cent =	do
6 months sight Fine Trade Bills	3 7-8	per cent =	do

INTEREST—

Day to day loans	2 1-8	per cent =	
7 day market loans	2 5-8	per cent =	+ 1/2

Amount withdrawn from the Bank of England about £425,000 for various places.

SUGAR—
German granulated 1st marks 12 1 1-2 A/S value steady

RAPESEED—
Brown 34 3-4 S.-O. done firm

COFFEE—
Coffee in New York, 8 7-8

In Liverpool—Cotton Market closed dull, East Indian steady. Manchester steady. Total Sales 3,000, Spot 5·77 plus 13. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 7 15-16. Sold on speculation and for Export 300. Imports nil. Futures closed firm,

Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.
5·74	5·76	5·79
+19	+19	+19
Dec.-Jan.	**Jan.-Feb.**	**Feb.-Mar.**
5·81	5·84	5·81
+18	+19	+18
Mar.-Apl.	**Apl.-May**	**May-June**
5·88	5.89	5·90
+17	+17	+17

Receipts at U S Ports	43,000
Do last year	62,000
Exports to Great Britain	2,000
Do. do Continent	9,000

IN NEW YORK—

Spot	10 (7) + 15
Futures, month of Dec	10·85 + 10 } a
Do. do. Mar	11·03 + 11 } a

a Advanced owing to firm cables and to bullish crop estimates.

IN NEW ORLEANS—

Spot	10 7-16 + 1/16
Futures, month of Dec	10·75 + 6
Do, do. Mar	10·93 + 8
Tone at close	barely steady

Stock in Liverpool	Bales. 5,72,000
Stock in London	26,000
Total visible supply	2,160,000
	+130,000
Total visible supply East Indian	144,000
Quantity in sight	810,000
	+300,000

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 24 hours, ending at 6 p.m. on Saturday, 23rd Sept. 1905:—

Cotton	947 bales.
Wheat	7,362 cwts.
Linseed	428 do
Rape, Rai and Mustard	88 do
Gingellyseed	61 do
Poppyseed	420 do
Groundnuts	442 do
Castorseed	3,483 do
Rice	783 do
Myrabolams	165 do
Cottonseed	3,753 do
Mowraseed	353 do
Gram	204 do
Joowar	1,716 do
Maize	nil

BOMBAY, SEPT. 25.

EXCHANGE.—Tone steady.

Bank T. T.			1s. 4 1-32d.
Bank Demand			1s. 4 1-16d.
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D.A.			1s. 4 1-4
Do, 6 do.	do. ...		1s. 4 3-8
French Francs 3 do.	do. ...		170 1-2
Marcks 3 do.	do. ...		133 1-2
Hongkong 30 Days Sight	...		141 1-2
Shanghai 30	do.	...	196
Japan 30	do. ...		149 1-2

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—3 1/2 per cent, Tone quiet.

Cash	99'3
1st Settlement 2nd October ...	99'3
2nd do. 1st November.	99'2

Money Market, Tone easy.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England since 7th Sept.	3	per cent.
Bank of Bombay do. 10th Oct	4	do.
Bank of Bengal do. 17th Aug.	4	do.
Bank of Madras do. 10th July	4	do.

SEEDS,

LINSEED—Tone steady.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Ready Buyers	6	4	6
Forward Sept. Suttab	6	7	0

RAPESEED,—Tone quiet but steady.

Brown Cawnpore, Ready ...	6	0	0
Yellow Guzarat, Ready ...	7	0	0

POPPYSEED—Tone steady.

Ready	6	13	0

CASTORSEED—Tone quiet

Ready	28	0	0

GINGELLYSEED—Tone steady.

Howree Khandeish	38	0	0
15 per cent Mixed	35	8	0

WHEAT—Tone quiet,

White Delhi	4	12	0
Do Pissy 85 per cent ...	31	0	0

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Estimated sales	7,000 bales
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Sept.-Oct	Oct.-Nov.	Nov-Dec.
5·70	5·72	5·75
—1	—1	—1
Dec.-Jan.	**Jan.-Feb.**	**Feb.-Mar.**
5·77	5·80	5·82
—1	—1	—1
Mar.-April	**April-May**	**May-June.**
5·84	5·85	5·86
—1	—1	—1

COTTON.—The market is steady with a fair demand for ready cotton from exporters and little doing forward.

BANK OF BOMBAY.

THE following is the statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bombay, for the week ending the 23rd September as compared with the statement of the 16th Sept.:—

LIABILITIES.	Sept. 16. Rs.	Sept. 23. Rs.
Capital	1,00,00,000	1,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	87,00,00	87,00,000
Public Deposits at Head Office	46,51,783	48,20,402
Public Deposits at Branches	33,88,675	34,43,274
Other Deposits	6,90,13,754	6,74,42,470
Post Bills	14,491	13,616
Sundries	15,58,880	15 98,188
	Rs... 9,74,36,590	9,61,16,450
ASSETS.		
Government Securities	1,15,29 737	1,12,11,761
Other authorised Securities	40,41,983	38,48,343
Credits on Govt. and other authorised Securities	67,06,490	62,29,341
Loans do. do. do.	1,28,57,340	1,71,81,945
Bills discounted and purchased	2,49,97,431	2,54,53,617
Dead Stock	2,85 011	2,85,015
Stamps and Stationery	3,075	3,036
Balances with other Banks	12,37,480	12,20,527
Sundries	1,16,128	1,20,933
Cash	2,95,45,995	3,03,52,156
	9,74,36,590	9,61,16,450

PETROL LICENSES.

The following Press Note was issued last evening:—

The Government of India have approved the proposal of the Bombay Government that effect should be given at once to the revised scale of fees for licenses under the Petroleum Act in anticipation of the sanction of the Government of India being obtained to the amended rules notified in the 'Bombay Government Gazette' of the 17th, 24th and 31st August 1905. The amended rules will be finally published in due course, when the approval of the Government of India has been received.

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EUROPE.

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LIFE AND DEATH IN INDIA.

It is no use correcting school-books from the new issue of the Judicial and Administrative Statistics of British India this year. Teachers and others anxious to keep up to date, must wait another twelve months and then they will find that India instead of being divided into so many provinces will be found to contain so many more, and that for the purposes of the judicial administration of the country the provinces may be divided in a manner which does not, as now, correspond closely to the executive divisions. However, they may put down that the area of British India, excluding the Andaman islands and including the "administered" areas in Baluchistan, at 1,013,408 square miles, and the population at 230,189,462. The area may extend slightly in the near future and the population will increase, but until next census the official figures will remain the same. It will be satisfactory to those who are interested in this country to know that education is spreading amongst us, surely if slowly, and we have now 4,368,569 males and 515,544 females under instruction in public and private institutions—a greater number than last year and the highest figures on record. In the last ten years the increase has equalled 16 per cent; 14·7 among males and 31·7 per cent among females. In University Education the Colleges which train for degrees in Arts contain about three times the number of students who are attracted to the colleges which train for special degrees. In these latter the students, going through all the course for a degree in Law, outnumber the students training for the attainment of degrees in all the other special courses combined. A table shows that last year 1,666 students graduated in Arts, 396 in Law, only eleven in Medicine, nineteen in Engineering and two in Oriental Languages and Literature. In the past ten years the Indian Universities have passed out 15,016 Graduates in Arts and 4,128 in Law, but not more than 85 graduated in Medicine and 131 in Engineering. As one reason for the very small numbers under the last two heads it is stated that the possession of a degree in Medicine or Engineering does not by itself qualify for the higher grades of Government professional service without special training in England and it does not of itself secure public confidence. Burma takes the lead educationally, Bengal, Madras and Bombay coming next in succession. The other provinces are still very backward, the United Provinces and the Punjab presenting the worst records.

A highly instructive chapter in the report is devoted to vital statistics, but it is explained that they are so very imperfect they must only be regarded as possessing comparative value, the errors and defects which pervade them being repeated in much the same degree, from year to year since 1892, when for the first time births and deaths were registered in identical areas. In the larger cities conditions hostile to human life existing in a higher degree than they do in the country, for where a population, which is very poor, very ignorant, careless and traditionally insanitary in habits and customs, are packed closely together, the need for sanitary administration of the most efficient kind is pressing and, in many cases, the sanitary administration is the reverse of efficient. But the presence of such conditions is not fully accepted as a complete and sufficient reason for the marked difference in the ratio between town and country and doubtless an important factor is to be found in the greater efficiency of registration in the towns. Epidemics in the towns have to be taken into account, and in the past seven years it is remarkable that 2,485,274 persons died of cholera, 649,356 from small-pox and 2,140,076 from dysentery and diarrhœa. On the subject of plague it is shown that whereas in 1896, the number of deaths was 2,219, the disease has spread all over India and the mortality has risen steadily year by year, except in 1900 when the number of deaths fell. In 1903, the total of deaths assigned to plague was 701,893, while in the eight years during which it had existed it had carried off 1,697,278 persons, Bombay contributing with over half of the total number. During the present year, the disease is shown to be progressing at an unprecedented rate as the deaths up to May last had reached the alarming total of 802,907. At the same time it is shown that the heavy mortality has been restricted to a smaller area, for the deaths in Bombay were only seven per cent. of the total, while in Northern India the percentages rose to 41 for the Punjab, 37 for the United Provinces and 13 for Bengal.

Mr. Robertson, who has compiled the report, for some reason or other, gives us 25 years' statistics of deaths from snake bites and wild animals. During that period anyhow 72,397 persons were killed by wild animals and 524,726 by snakes. In the past five years the deaths caused by wild animals have shown a tendency to decrease, whilst those by snakes have grown. Deaths by animals increased greatly in the Central Provinces in 1901 owing to tigers and panthers, on the disappearance of game from the woods during the drought, resorting to man-eating, instead of following up the game. The most destructive beast is the tiger to whom may be assigned 31 per cent of the whole mortality from wild animals, the average approximating to one thousand persons annually. In 1903 tigers killed 866 persons, leopards 513, wolves 493, bears 117, elephants 38, and hyenas 24, alligators, crocodiles, wild pigs, wild dogs, and other unspecified animals assisting in bringing up the total. Of course, wild beasts are more destructive to domestic animals than to human beings. In the past quarter of a century they destroyed 1,864,778, of which about a hundred and twenty thousand were killed by snakes. Here the leopard is more destructive than the tiger, and in the last three years leopards carried away 116,000 head of cattle, and tigers 91,000. Rewards given for the destruction of wild animals and snakes average over a lakh of rupees per annum, most of the money being given for the destruction of wild animals; very little being devoted to snakes. The statistics of the slaughter of wild beasts and snakes, especially of latter, are even more imperfect than those of the destruction of human beings and cattle, but so far as they go, the effect of these measures is apparent from the figures. In 1903, 16,318 wild animals and 62,745 snakes were reported to have been destroyed. The shikari had a remarkably good time that year for his total was 4,370 leopards 2,086 wolves, 2,000 bears, 1,285 tigers, 712 hyenas, 17 elephants and 5,848 other more or less dangerous animals. It is a pity the Statistical Reports do not recount the pleasures of life in India as well as its trials. If they did the general reader would recognise that it has its compensations.

THE PROSPERITY OF PERU.

MR. CONSUL-GENERAL ST. JOHN, of Lima, whose reports on the financial and commercial condition of Peru always have an interest for the British mercantile community, notes a further and marked improvement in his latest report. The revenue, it appears, continues to increase, and is now nearly £2,000,000, or more than double the national income of ten years ago. But inasmuch as a large sum is to be set aside annually for railway construction or for the guarantee of the interest on the capital which may be invested in such works, the available balance is still quite inadequate to meet the requirements of the other public services. The country has now enjoyed peace for a number of years, and appears to be bent solely on developing her prolific sources of wealth. Credit is also reviving as is proved by the gradual and not inconsiderable influx of foreign capital and the formation of new companies with capital raised in the country. The Government are paying attention to the extension of railways and the construction of roads and bridges, and though now they are able to carry out these works only on a small scale, they will probably have financial assistance ere long, and the sphere of enterprise is likely to be greatly extended. Mr. St. John regards the commercial intercourse between the United Kingdom and Peru as satisfactory, but he thinks it might be increased "by studying more closely the requirements of the markets." Banking facilities in the country are still insufficient. A German bank is about to open its doors, and it was expected that a British bank would also be established in Lima. A bank with branches throughout the country, even in remote and small places, would probably be successful. such an institution, says Mr. St. John, would not only tend to banish usury, but to reduce ruling rates of interest which are looked upon as normal in those parts, but are much too high to allow the necessary assistance being given to production and trade. Turning to other features of interest in connection with the prosperity of the country, a firm has recently acquired an area of about 130 square miles and proposes to stock it with sheep brought from Patagonia; 6,000 rams and ewes have already been imported for that purpose. It is believed that the experiment will give a good result. Motor cars are in use in Lima and between Lima and Callao, but the roads of Peru are still too bad to offer any prospect of any considerable development in this trade. The soil of Peru is rich in ores of many kinds and the mining industry is advancing steadily. The Cerro de Pasco Mining Syndicate, by far the most important mining company in Peru, is reported to have struck most valuable copper deposits. That syndicate has also purchased a number of claims in the Yanli and Morococha districts. It has, during the last three years, invested about £2,000,0000 in the country.

THE LAST OF THE "VIVANDIERES."

THE announcement that the "Conseil Superieur de la Guerre" have decided that the French Army has no longer need for the thousand and odd vivandieres is causing deep regret in France. Many a march past will miss the trim martial constume, the neat little figure in short skirts and long red trousers of the infantry and top boots of the cavalry; the hat, so jauntily tilted; the highly polished little barrel hanging at the side; and the ever-present tricolour scarf. This is the latter-day costume; but vivandieres date from the Revolution, and from that day to the present their get-up has undergone many changes. In the days of the Empires, first and second, and even in those of Louis Philippe it was a thing threatrical; after the dark days of 1870 the mass of braid and curling feathers gave place to the more modest dark blue piped with red. The vivandiere combined the qualities of Red Cross nurse with those of mother of a large family. She was often the only real womanly influence "the boys" came under from the day they joined the regiment. She disappears before better and more modern methods for supplying the wants of soldiers in the field and a vastly improved Red Cross organisation. Before the Revolution the vivandiere, who was but an unattached camp follower, lived the life of the soldier without partaking of his hardships or dangers. Whole families were attracted by this call to arms—the father a trooper, the boy a bugler, the mother a vivandiere. From such a family came Catherine Devres, she whom the soldiers of the army of the Sambre and Meuse familiarly christened Mere Catherine. This brave body took her share in all the campaigns of the Republic up to 1802. When sitting at the camp fire at night she had some strange souvenirs to recall of the military events in which she took her share. Nothing pleased her better than to tell how she found the Fort on that famous evening of July 21, 1795. Had things been otherwise the word "Texel" would have had no place on the list of French victories, and commandant Lahure and his gallant band would have perished. Numerous instances are given in French military history of courageous vivandieres who have fought in the ranks in several campaigns, and their disappearance will be regretted generally throughout the French Army.

THE P. & O. Company's s.s. Arabia with the outward mails of the 15th instant, left, Aden at 6 p.m. on Sunday and is expected to arrive in Bombay at 9 a.m. on Friday next.

THERE will be no more mounted sports on Wednesdays until the big annual athletic and sporting meeting to be held in October.

THE goods traffic on the B. B. & C. I. Railway for the week ending 2nd September 1905, shows an increase over the corresponding week of 1904 of 5,262 maunds, with a decrease of Rs. 17,313 in the earnings.

THE Bombay Corporation at their meeting, yesterday, adopted the draft address submitted by their committee, for presentation to their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales on their arrival in Bombay.

IT is notified that the amount for which a single Indo-Ceylon telegraph money order may be issued in India shall not exceed Rs. 600 and shall not include any sum less than a rupee, and if the amount exceeds Rs. 150 the telegraphic money order shall not be for a sum which is not a multiple of Rs. 10.

WE are authorised to say that there is no foundation for the statement which has appeared in various native journals that the restoration by the Government of India of enlarged powers to his Highness the Maharaja of Kashmir, recently announced, was accompanied by any condition concerning the relaxation of the terms under which land may be leased or acquired by European British subjects in the Kashmir State.

THE capital of the new Province may have glorious associations in the past; but the present character of the Division, to which it gives its name, is not of the best. According to the Bengal Police Report, the Dacca Division heads the Provincial list not only in the matter of rioting, but also for murders and cases of culpable homicide. Preventive action under Section 107 of the Criminal Procedure Code had to be taken there to a much greater extent than in any other Division, the number of persons bound down to keep the peace being 63 per cent of the whole Province.

As regards traffic along the Nushki route, it is reported that since the railway has been opened a considerable flow of trade has set in from the Helmand direction via Chageh. The expectation was that the caravans would confine themselves to the desert route to Seistan, but some of the traders prefer to follow the Helmand to a point north-west of Chageh, and then to turn southwards. They have still a stretch of desert to cross, but less in extent than that between Nushki and Robat on the Persian frontier. The more routes that are used the better, and this new trade may have possibilities of expansion.

DESPITE the protests on the part of the Government of India and of His Majesty's Government, the Cuban Government has raised duty on rice from one dollar to one dollar 20 cents per 100 kilos in February 1904. At the beginning of the present year information was received to the effect that a further enhancement of import duty of 2·25 dollars per 100 kilos was contemplated. The Government of India protested strongly against this further enhancement, but notwithstanding representations which were made on the subject a bill increasing, the duty was passed by the Cuban House of Representatives. The Government of India have now received information to the effect that the Bill has been rejected by the Senate by a large majority.

THE Dassan Canal project is one that has been developed since the report of the Irrigation Commission was issued in 1903. A scheme was prepared many years ago for a canal from the Dassan river, a tributary of the Jumna, south of Cawnpore, to irrigate a portion of the Hamirpur district, but the low supplies of water in the river and the great height and cost of the necessary weir caused it to be abandoned. The Irrigation Commission were informed that a detailed reconnaissance to determine the conditions of supply and the probable utility and cost of the work was about to be put in hand, but they expressed no opinion upon the project. The scheme was prepared in 1903-4 and there can be no doubt that it will prove of enormous benefit to the Hamirpur district, which is particularly liable to distress due to uncertain rainfall.

THE reports that were collected regarding the great earthquake of the 4th April number several hundreds, and these have served to furnish certain exact conclusions. It was what is scientifically known as a twin-earthquake, the earth-movements in the Kangra District and at Mussoorie being practically simultaneous. They were along well-known "faults" in the central Himalaya region, and the disturbances extended over a great area, the echoes in the plains reaching even south of Allahabad The causes which led to the violent shocks which wrecked Dharamsala and Kangra completely, and did such serious damage elsewhere, cannot, of course, be definitely stated; but as we know, expert geologists consider they are unlikely to recur for a very long period to come. It will be necessary, however, that buildings hereafter erected in the area most affected should be earthquake-proof, and both the Government and private persons will doubtless adopt architectural plans with this end in view. The future of Dharmsala both as a civil station and as a cantonment is apparently still uncertain. It will again be examined next month by the small committee of experts in geology and engineering which visited it some months ago, and the effect of the monsoon rains upon the ridges and slopes will be studied. As there have been no landslips there since the rainy season set in, it is not likely that any dangerous fissures will have declared themselves. When the final report is presented, the Punjab Government and the military authorities will be able to make up their minds as to what course is to be followed in the matter of rebuilding houses offices and barracks of a light and suitable kind.

MR. ROBERT K. DOUGLAS, keeper of Oriental manuscripts at the British Museum, appeals in a letter in the "Times" for the restoration to the Chinese of the Imperial Library at Mukden, which has been appropriated by the Russians. He sets forth that when Russian troops occupied Mukden with the ostensible object of preserving law and order during the "Boxer" outbreak, they seized the library, which contained books and manuscripts of the greatest literary, historical, and antiquarian interest. The Siberian Railway being then engaged in transporting men and munitions of war into Manchuria, the destination of the library was diverted to Vladivostock, where, if report speaks truly, it now remains.

AT the request of the Colonial Office, the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine have, with the consent of the University authorities, requested Professor Boyce to visit Belize, in British Honduras, to report on the sanitary measures in that colony necessary in view of the recent outbreak of yellow fever. Professor Boyce, who is now at New Orleans, will, after completing his observations of the methods employed by the Americans in combating yellow fever there, proceed to Belize. The latest mail advices from Brazil have brought news that both members of the Yellow Fever Expedition of the Liverpool School at Manaos have been ill with yellow fever, one very seriously. The surviving member of the Sleeping Sickness Expedition which the school sent to the Congo in August 1903, returns to England by the steamship Oron on Sept. 6.

IF YOUTH BUT KNEW.

CHAPTERS ON EDUCATION.

ALADDIN'S PALACE.

WHAT, in plain English, do I mean by saying that a liberal education ought to deal either with Aladdin's Palace or with the Adventures of Sindbad, and, up to a certain point, with both? I hope the reader already holds the key to this very simple enigma; so he will perhaps bear with me if I try to lead up to the definite statement of my meaning by a little further illustration.

Looking from my study window this bright May morning, what do I perceive? A stretch of undulating country, arable pasture, and woodland; a slow river winding down a broad, softly-moulded valley; a vast expanse of sky with white clouds combed out, as it were, into the pale blue. It is a pretty picture; but because I have been badly educated I can see in it little more than its pictorial charm.

Tardy self-education, however, has taught me to lament my unseeing eye and uncomprehending mind. Looking at the trees, flowers, grasses, I can name, with hesitation, a few of their commonest species; but even of their nomenclature I am mainly ignorant, and much more of their structure, their classification, their life-history. Yet each of these myriad objects is a living thing of exquisite adjustments and complexities. The chemistry of its generation, nutrition, pigmentation—the instinct by which it draws from earth and air just those elements required for the dreeing of its weird in growth, reproduction and decay—is ultimately, indeed, an unfathomable mystery but may be watched in its processes, studied in its results. Take yonderoak-tree, for example—what an august being it is! How it beggars the imagination to conceive the silent tenacity of purpose "which, working through century after century has drawn together" the stuff of life to knit it, to robe it in its yearly marvel of leafage and swell its girth by ring on ring! Had I, as a boy, been taken to that tree, and judiciously helped to study it and realise it in its majestic individuality and in its relations, to plant life at large, I should to-day have been a wiser and, I doubt not, a happier man. As it was, I passed the whole vegetable world by, unseeing, unwondering. It was a matter of course; it was dead to me, or (much more truly) I was dead to it. Too late, I have come to life a little. A tree awakens in me a vague reverence, a flower a shamefaced worship; and by these feelings the intensity of life is indefinitely enhanced for me. Was I forty years ago, such a young dolt as to be quite inaccessible to them? I doubt whether my educators, on the Day of Wrath, will be able to plead that justification. And when, as sometimes happens, I hear a schoolboy express his contempt for flowers, I could weep as I say to myself "Si jeunesse savait!"

So much for the carpet of Aladdin's Palace, laid down each year afresh, and shifting in its hues and pattern with every week and day. But what of the floor on which the carpet is spread? How is it laid and on what foundations?

On one of the slopes over which my eye ranges is a strip of naked soil, ploughed and harrowed. Whence comes its texture? Whence its russet tinge? I know, though I cannot actually see, that this slope is covered with myriads of loose stones, ranging from the size of a pigeon's egg to the bulk of my two fists. What Titan was at the pains of thus gravelling the lea for miles and miles? That clump of beeches away to the west marks an old chalk-pit. I infer from its shining cliff that the reddish soil is only a thin layer covering a vast bed of white rock In the chalk there are fossils—how came they there?

And I know that the chalk itself is only a layer, like the upper soil. Deeper sections, which I have seen elsewhere, show me other layers, piled in their order, sometimes flat as a plate of sandwiches, sometimes crumpled, twisted, even tilted on end. Everywhere there is order, everywhere the unmistakeable evidence of giant forces in conflict, as though one race of genies had striven to smooth the floor horizontally, whiles another mischief-making tribe had everywhere laboured, by vertical action, to emboss and corrugate the pavement their rivals had laid down. Then, again, I contrast in my mind the gentle contours of this buxom landscape with the flat expanses of fen-land and prairie, and with the ravines and precipices, soaring peaks and jagged sierras, of a mountainous country. Whence these differences? What power has sculptured the surface of the earth, padded here and denuded there, and veined it all with an inconceivable network of running water, from the tiny driblet that bubbles up in a wrinkle of the moors to the great river that forms the artery of a continent? And this water itself! What is it? Whence comes it? That shining streak in the bottom of the valley, ever shifting, never ceasing, voluble throughout the ages—why have I but the vaguest notions of the laws that compound and control it? Partly, no doubt, because I was an idle and stupid boy, but also, I venture to think, because my pastors and masters were stupider and idler still. I grew up with all these marvels before my eyes but it was never suggested to me that I should observe them, much less that I should investigate or reason about them.

The study of the rocks and mountains—the floor and pillars of Aladdin's Palace—is surely one of the most fascinating to which the mind can be applied and might be made so even to quite young children. The elements of physiography present themselves in little wherever rain falls and water flows; every cliff or landship, quarry or excavation, is a frontispiece to the wonder-book of geology, with all its beautiful inferences and far-reaching revelations. From the merely utilitarian point of view, as a gymnastic of the reasoning faculties, geology ought to rank high among the instruments of education.

Again I look from my window, and, beyond the fleecy canopy of cloud, I see a turquoise dome lighted by a floating globe of fire—a more "wonderful lamp," even to the uninstructed eye, than ever glowed in the wildest Oriental fantasy. And I know that the luminous pavilion in which it floats is a mere illusion of the sense, veiling for the moment immeasurable altitudes of space and unimaginable galaxies and glories. Here, indeed, the architectural image breaks down and becomes hopelessly belitting even when it is Shakespeare who speaks of this brave o'erhanging firmament, this majestical roof fretted with golden fire." Architecture, be it never so fabulous, implies immobility and limitation. What we have here to realise is that there is no vault, no dome, no firmament, no immobility, no limitation; but that the little speck of matter to which we cling is like a dancing mote, in a sunbeam, among an inconceivable whirl of other motes, many of them a thousand times its size, yet all infinitesimal in comparison with the immensity which envelops them.

Let us have done, then with the poor symbol of Aladdin's Palace. I have played with it mainly to defer as long as possible the employment of the Greek names given by our fathers to the various branches of nature-study. Botany, physiography, geology, astronomy, are apt to seem crushingly disproportionate in relation to the childish mind. But surely there is nothing unreasonable in the idea that, step by step with the natural growth of his intelligence, boy ought to be initiated into the wonders of flower-lore, plant-lore, earth-lore cloud-lore, rock-lore star-lore—probably in something like the order here indicated. This is such a plain measure of commonsense that the prejudice which to-day causes us to neglect it will seem scarcely credible a hundred years hence.

It will seem absolutely incredible, I believe that thousands of boys should go through an elaborate and expensive education (as I did and so my undergraduate friend has done) without once looking through either a microscope or a telescope. Yet the fact is merely typical. This deliberate limitation of physical vision accurately parallels the deliberate limitation of mental vision which underlies so much of our educational theory and practice. What could be more delightful or more awakening to any intelligent boy than the judicious use of either of these instruments? Why should we refuse to avail ourselves of the childish love of a toy because it happens to be the toy of Galileo and of Herschel, and the indispensible instrument of comical illumination? The day is surely not far distant, when every well-situated and well-equipped school will possess a telescope of reasonable power, for the use, on fitting occasion, not of the "science side" alone, but of every boy, who has eyes in his head and a brain behind them.

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AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN DISPUTE.

TENSE FRICTION.

THE OPPOSITIONSTS OVATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, SEPT. 24

The Hungarian leaders are pessimistic and say the will of the nation must prevail over the Crown.

LONDON, SEPT. 25.

Intense anger prevails at Buda Pest at the treatment of the Opposition leaders by the Emperor Francis Joseph who received them standing and did not shake hands with any of them. He addressed them curtly in German and gave them no opportunity of speaking. The deputation was dismissed in four minutes.

The Oppositionists informed Count Czaraky, yesterday morning, that they declined to form a Government on the Emperor's conditions.

Count Czaraky promised to bring the Emperor's reply at 2-30 p.m., and arriving at the Hotel at 2-15 p.m., found they had already returned to Buda Pest.

LATER.

The Hungarian oppositionists were greatly ovated on their return to Buda Pest.

SWEDEN AND NORWAY.

Amicable Settlement.

LONDON, SEPT. 24.

Though the terms of the Karlstad settlement have not been published the comments of the Swedish and Norwegian press indicate that Norway has yielded on the question of the demolition of her frontier fortresses and Sweden has consented to the conclusion of an Arbitration Treaty.

The Norwegian papers urge the people to accept the terms with self-control and rejoice that they have peacefully become a Sovereign nation.

An extraordinary Session of the Swedish Riksdag will be held on 2nd October, to confirm the dissolution.

THE WRECK OF THE CHATHAM.

Canal Blocked For Days.

Reuter (Port Said) says that the blowing up of the "Chatham" has been fixed for Thursday morning, and will be effected by means of electricity from a distance of two miles. It is understood that the town of Port Said will suffer no serious damage. It is impossible to estimate how long the canal will be blocked, but experts are confident it will only be for a few days.

RUSSIAN TROOPS FOR TURKESTAN.

Peace at Baku.

The military districts of Kieff and Odessa are preparing for the immediate despatch of troops to Turkestan.

LONDON, SEPT. 25.

A conference has been held of leading Tartars and Armenians at Baku at which peace was concluded.

MEETING OF BRITISH AND JAPANESE FLEETS.

Demonstration in Tokio Bay.

The "Daily Telegraph" in a despatch from Tokio says that after peace has been ratified the British squadron and Japanese fleet will meet in Tokio Bay.

THE LATE M. DE BRAZZA.

Incapable French Administrators.

The late M. de Brazza was returning to France when he died with a most scathing indictment against M. Gentil, the administrator of the French Congo, for his incapacity and mal-administration and encouraging gross cruelties.

FRANCE AND VENEZUELA.

Situation Acute.

The relations between France and Venezuela are becoming acute.

General Castro the President recently closed the French Cable alleging breach of contract.

M. Taigny, the French Charge d'Affairs, is endeavouring to negotiate, but General Castro is adopting an arrogant attitude.

M DE WITTE IN BERLIN,

M. de Witte had an interview with Baron Ritchtfen in Berlin yesterday and visits the Kaiser at Rominten on Tuesday.

GERMAN EAST AFRICA.

News received at Berlin says that 350 rebels, in German East Africa, have been killed in unsuccessful attacks on Mahenge.

CHOLERA IN GERMANY.

LONDON, SEPT. 24.

A bargeman from Posen has died of cholera at Berlin, where great precautions are being taken.

THE IN-COMING MAIL.

ADEN, SEPT. 24.

The P. and O. Company's steamer Arabia, with the English mails of 15th instant, left here for Bombay at 6 p.m. to-day.

DURAND FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT.

ROYAL DRAGOONS WIN THE CUP

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPT. 25.

Finals in the Durand Tournament were played here to-day before an immense gathering and resulted, after a splendid game, in a win for the Royal Dragoons over the Dorsetshire Regiment.

The Royals began an uphill game and at once forced the pace, Holt, their right central forward, bringing the ball into Dorsets' territory where it remained for several dangerous rushes which were frustrated by the Dorsets' backs and goal-keeper. After ten minutes indecisive but very fast play, up and down the ground Holt again got possession and centred neatly before the Dorsets' goal, a combined rush bringing the ball still closer until it was ultimately shot through by Edwards (Royals left wing) who throughout played a magnificent game. The Dorsets' then took the ball down hill, but it was speedily brought back and much fast up and down play followed, the Royals' backs and goal-keeper having by no means an idle time as well as those of the Dorsets. In one of these rushes Davis, the Dorsets' right wing, was fouled accidentally as he was nearing the Royals' goal. The free kick which resulted brought the ball right in front and a low hard shortly which the goal-keeper was prevented from stopping by being himself charged took it through, The goal, however, was not allowed. The Dorsets continued to press and secured a corner, but failed to improve it, half time finding the score one goal love in favour of the Royals.

On resuming the Dorsets made a great efforts the Royals' goal being frequently in danger. Davis on the Dorsets' right wing shot again and again, but was each time beaten by the defence of the Royals whose forwards came back actively to reinforce the goal line. Edwards did a fine run for the Royals after this and the ball was again at the Dorsets' end, but was brought back. A corner was followed by a hard shot from one of the Dorsets' forwards which hit the bar over the Royals' goal rebounding into a melee in front from which Page (Royals goal-keeper) saved amidst great excitement. Marlow, Royals' right wing, now did a splendid run right down the field, but was beaten by the Dorsets' goal-keeper (Cobb). A corner to the Royals followed, but nothing resulted. Up and down play followed, the next event of importance being a foul given against the Royals' right in front of the goal. The shot was stopped, however and time was called without further score, the Royals thus beating the favourites by one goal to love.

Sir Edmund Elles, who has been a most generous president of the Club for a number of years past, addressed the teams afterwards congratulating the winners and saying that although he was himself leaving India the continuance of the Annual Cup he has given was guaranteed. Lady Curzon afterwards handed the Challenge Cup and other trophies to the men and Lord Curzon wound up the proceedings with an appropriate speech in which he referred to the magnificent exhibition of the afternoon on the part of both the teams and said he had never seen fairer, faster or truer football. His Excellency went on to claim to be able to express an opinion in the matter since he was probably the only person upon the ground who had broken both a shoulder and an arm at the game. Referring to the merits of the game Lord Curzon declared that the practice, training and emulation it demanded made men better soldiers. This was the last time he would see it played at Simla, but he hoped it would never die out in the British Army. The speech which was warmly applauded closed with the mention of the services of Corporal Muddle who has proved a treasure in the difficult position of Referee. The proceedings ended wit the usual cheers.

I understand that it is the Hon. Mr. Hewett who has undertaken to continue to present the Annual Cup hitherto given by Sir Edmund Elles. A donor who desires to be anonymous has come forward with a contribution which enabled one hundred and twenty rupees to be divided amongst the runniug up team.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPT. 25.

Lieut. Hakin, the South Wales Borderers, is posted to the Secunderabad Division for appointment to the Indian Army.

The death is reported of Captain Beamish, I.M.S. 87th Punjabis, on 24th instant at Jhansi from enteric fever.

Co onel A. W. Smart, Royal Engineers, will be placed on retired list on 19th October next on attaining age limit.

The exchange has been approved between Major Bridgford Manchester Regiment and Major Welman Shropshire light Infantry.

GENERAL.

Captain Rose, 1st Gurkhas, is appointed Inspecting Officer, Kashmir Imperial Service Infantry.

Captain Birdwood, 39th Horse, is appointed Assistant Inspecting Officer, Rajputana Imperial, Service Cavalry.

The following appointments are made :—Lieutenant-Colonel H. James to be Supply and Transport Officer, 1st class ; Major Gayer, Supply and Transport Officer, 2nd class ; Captain Howell, Supply and Transport Officer, 3rd class.

On return from leave Major Remington is posted to the Eastern Command as Assistant Commanding Royal Engineer, Presidency.

WESTERN COMMAND.

The following appointments have been made :—

3rd Skinner's Horse.—Lieutenant-Colonel A. N. Carr, 2nd-in-Command—to be Commandant, vice Lieutenant-Colonel H. J. J. Middleton, appointed an Assistant-Adjutant-General on the Divisional Staff.

Major W. E A. Blakeney, 2nd Double Company Commander, to be 2nd-in-Command, vice Lieutenant-Colonel A. N. Carr.

33rd Queen's Own Light Cavalry.—2nd Lieutenant J. G. Willoughby, Essex Regiment, a candidate for the Indian Army, to be an officiating Squadron Officer.

3rd Skinner's Horse.—Lieutenant V. A. Coaker to be Adjutant, vice Captain C. B. Stokes, vacated.

29th Lancers (Deccan Horse).—Lieutenant H. J. Willis to be Adjutant, vice Captain V. K. Birch, vacated.

32nd Lancers.—Lieutenant R C Fergusson Pollok to be Quartermaster, vice Captain P H M Taylor, vacated.

82nd Punjabis.—Lieutenant N E Howell to be Quartermaster.

94th Russell's Infantry.—Captain A R Burton to be Adjutant, vice Lieutenant S Marriott vacated.

98th Infantry.—Lieutenant J P Mitford to be Adjutant, vice Captain G S Palmer, vacated.

107th Pioneers.—Lieutenant R D Marjoribanks to be Adjutant, vice Captain H P Keelan vacated.

113th Infantry.—Lieutenant W. G. Palmer to be Quartermaster.

Captain H. E. Street, 62nd Battery, Royal Field Artillery, has been appointed Orderly Officer to the Brigadier-General, Royal Artillery, Western Command.

Lieutenant A. C. C. Stevens, R. S. A., is posted to the 73rd aBttery Royal Field Artillery.

The local meetings of the Bombay Presidency Rifle Association will be held between 15th October and the 31st December 1905, and the Central Meeting of the Bombay Presidency Rifle Association for 1905 will be held at Poona from the 30th January to the 9th February 1906 inclusive. Local entries close 15th October 1905. Central entries close 8th January, 1906.

A MUNICH tourist named Koch has been killed by a fall on the Arnspitze, and an Italian builder was picked up dead, after meeting with an accident on the Nassfeld, near Gastein.

POONA HORSE SHOW.

FIRST DAY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

POONA, SEPT. 25.

The first day of the Poona Horse Show was held at Ghorpuri this afternoon. The arrangements under the able care of Lieutenant-Colonel Bull I.M.S. were perfect. The attendance was good. The Band of the East Lancashire was in attendance. In some of the classes competition was very keen and interesting. The Judges had a very hard time to select. Lord Lamington with Mrs. Du Boulay arrived in time to witness the ladies circling round for the judgment. The following are the results of each class :—

Class I.—Infantry Chargers 13-3 to 14-2, 1st Prize presented by the Officers Indian Infantry, Poona, 2nd prize presented by the Officers Indian Infantry, Poona.

Ring 2.

Mr G D Heyland's ch aus m Mercia 1
Col A H Wood's b arab g Destiny..... 2
Capt Richardson's bl aust m Maude..... 3

Class IV.—Light Weight Arab and C. B, Polo Ponies. 1st Prize presentsd by Major Rawlins. 2nd Prize presented by Aga Shamshudin Shah.

Ring 1.

Mr F W Barrett's b a g Kotal..... 1
Major J Vaughan's b cb m Namuna 2
Captain T P Melvill's b a h Heathen..... 3
Mr H F S Casson's b a h Edger..... Commended

Class V—Heavy Weight A and CB Polo Ponies up to 13 stone or over. 1st Prize presented by Lieut-Col H de B DeLisle, C B 2nd Prize presented from the Fund,

Ring 1.

Mr F W Barrett's ch a g Corn Bob..... 1
Lt-Col J S Forbes' ch a h Sapphire..... 2
Lt-Col J S Forbes' g a g Idar..... 3
Capt H Meynell's b a p Martinet..... Commended

Class XII—Hunters 14-2 and under (open). 1st Prize presented by the Officers Indian Medical Service 2nd Prize; presented from the Fund.

Ring 2.

Captain EC Loch's b aus g Hurricane..... 1
Mrs R F Anderson's br aust m Freda II 2
Captain H Meynell's ch aust g Mariner..... 3
Mrs Jameson' br cb m Brunette ..... Commended.

Class VI—English and Colonial Polo Ponies. See condition 4. (a) Light Weight (b) Heavy Weight. 1st Prize presented by Mr G L Spence ; 2nd Prize presented from the Fund.

Ring 1.

Colonel De Lisle's ; Serin..... 1
Lieut Colonel Grantham's b aus m Solo..... 2
Major-Genl Wodehouse blk aus m Goona..... 3

Class VI—HEAVY WEIGHTS.

Col deLisle's br aust m Sailor..... 1
Capt Guests ch aust Sally..... 2
Capt Guest's ch aust Don John..... 3
Capt H Meynell's ch aust g Mariner...Commended

Class VII—Pony Hunters 14-2 and under (closed). See condition 6 (a) and (c) 1st prize presented by Colonel Sheringham, 2nd prize presented by Lieut-Col Channer, I. M. S.

Ring 2.

Mrs Morris' b eng m Veronique..... 1
Mr J Kennedy's b aust m Highland Mary..... 2
Mrs R F Anderson's brgaus m Freda II 3
Capt Hopwood's b aust m Little Mary,..Commended

Class XXI—Horses over 14-2 in Single Harness 1st Prize presented from the Fund, 2nd Prize presented from the Fund.

Ring 2.

Major G Moore's br aus m Mary 1
Major R Burlton's bay aus m Peggy..... 2
Major Cleveland's b aus g Douglas..... 3
Mr Anandjee Nanjee's br e m Modesty,..Commended

Class XXV—Teams-driving Competition only, 1st Prize presented from the Fund.

Ring 2.

Will be completed to-morrow.

Class XI—Hunters over 14-2 (open). 1st Prize presented by Messrs A Nanjee and M Goculdas, 2nd Prize presented from The Fund.

Ring 1.

Lieut-Col G H Bull's I M S gr Irish m Twilight . 1
Major G Moore's br aust g William 2
Lieut-Col G H Bull's I M S ch aust m Bullion... 3

Class XIV—Ladies' Ponies, 1st Prize presented by Mr. H Beale 1st special presented by Hon'ble Mr Fulton 2nd Prize presented from The Fund.

Ring 2.

Mr F W Barret's br aus g Macbeth .....1st Prize
Mrs Morris' b eng m Veronique...1st Special Prize
Captain Hopword's b aust m Little Mary, 2nd prize
Mrs Jameson's br c b m Brunette.....Commended

Class XV—Hacks over 14-2, 1st Prize presented by H H The Aga Khan, 2nd Prize presented by Major Dyson, I M S

Ring 1.

Maj Genl J Wodehouse's b aust g Warrigal 1
Lt-Col G H Bull's I M S ch aust h Bullion 2
Captain H B Dyson's b c b m Gazelle 3

Class XVI—Hacks 14-2 and under 1st Prize presented by the Officers R F A, Kirkee, 2nd Prize presented by Major H H Butler, R F A

Ring 2.

Col F de B De Lisle's b aus m Sailor 1
Mrs Morris's b eng m Veronique 2
Mrs J H Du Boulay's b arab g Impromptu..... 3
Capt Hopwood's b aust m Little Mary Commanded

Class XVII—Jumping for Horses, 1st Prize presented by Goldsmiths and Silversmiths Co., London ; 2nd Prize presented from the Fund, 3rd Prize presented from the Fund

Ring 2.

Mr G O Boase's b aust g Dawn 1
Mrs R F Anderson's br aust m Freda II 2
Col F de B De Lisle's ch eng m Lady Lovelace... 3

PRESSURE ON THE TELEGRAPHS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, SEPT. 25.

The number of telegraphic messages which are being received and despatched daily have of late so considerably increased at Calcutta Central Telegraph Office that the Telegraphic authorities, although they employ a large staff, have found it difficult to cope with the work. To overcome the difficulty they have commenced to train signallers to typewrite messages instead of writing them.

GOVERNMENT PRINTERS DISSATISFIED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, SEPT. 25.

Some two thousand printers and compositors of the Government of India Printing Press met on Saturday afternoon, on the maidan to consider what steps they should take to remove the grievances they allege they are suffering from. Under the advice of Mr. A. C. Banerjee, barrister, whom they consulted, they propose petitioning the authorities, in the first instance, if after that their grievances are not redressed, they intend resigning in a body which will be a practical strike.

HON. MR. C. S. BAYLEY IN SIMLA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPT. 25.

The Hon. Mr. C. S. Bayley, has arrive here and is a guest at Viceregal Lodge.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA vs. CASUALS.

THE Bombay Gymkhana Rugby Football team and the Casuals met last evening on the Cooperage in a friendly game in order that both teams might get a little practice of which they are badly in need before the Tournament which begins this evening. Several members of the Gymkhana team turning up late and two not turning up at all necessitating two recruits being picked up on the ground, the game did not commence until twenty minutes to six so that only two "twenties" could be played. The game in the first period went slightly in favour of the Casuals, who ten minutes after the start obtained a try which they failed to convert. In the second period the Gymkhana playing better together gained a try the major point being obtained. Nothing further being scored the Gymkhana won by a goal to a try. Neither team showed up particularly well, and if they cannot do better in the tournament, neither are likely to enter the final.

SPORT IN ENGLAND.

Remarkable Cricket Match.

INTERNATIONAL GOLF.

THE FOOTBALL FIELD.

LONDON, SEPT. 8.

CRICKET is often described as "tame" in comparison with football. Though this is doubtless true of the majority of matches, and of the greater portion of all matches, there is nothing in football that can approach such a finish as was witnessed at the Oval on Saturday, when the game between Kent and Surrey ended in a tie. In football the game is all movement, and what is done is done quickly, whereas in cricket the final act unfolds so slowly that spectators are kept in what can only be called a state of the most intense dramatic suspense. As a rule, too, such close finishes come with all the force of a surprise, and this, of course, adds to their dramatic character.

On Saturday, for example, Surrey had only 46 to get and had six wickets in hand, to that the probabilities of the position were all in favour of a Surrey win by a good margin of the indefinite "wickets" order. Rain had fallen in the night, however, and the wicket was in consequence all in favour of the bowlers. In spite of its condition all that seemed necessary to give Surrey victory was a little watchfulness combined with resolution in hitting on the part of the batsmen. The first twenty minutes' play promised a tame finish and an easy Surrey victory. Hobbs and Crawford, though carrying caution to excess and permitting several punishable balls to pass without paying toll, were under no necessity to run risks. Both played so steadily and well that they looked likely to knock off the runs without being parted. When 27 were still required, however, Crawford just edged a ball into Mason's hands at first slip. Surrey seemed quite safe with five wickets in hand and only 27 required. Hobbs got two of these, and then Lord Dalmeny lashed out in predetermined style at a good-length ball from Blythe and was very easily caught. Lees also had a go, but he got rather under the ball and was splendidly taken by the Kent captain in the long field from a hit that was value for a four.

Smith hit in resolute fashion, but with 18 wanted Hobbs was bowled the moment he departed from his steady game. Strudwick played cooly while Smith continued to hit, but with eight still required to win Strudwick lost his restraint, hit wildly at Blythe, and was easily caught. Knox had to face a trying situation, but kept up his end while Smith, in spite of most elaborate changes in the placing of the field, made the game a tie by hitting Hearne to the on for two and four, and to the off for a smartly run single. As Marsham removed his deep mid-on in Blythe's next over he seemed to have sacrificed the match, for Smith's favourite stroke is in this direction. Fortunately for Kent Smith lost his restraint at the critical moment and instead of waiting for the proper ball had a go at Blythe's off ball. He made a mishit, was easily caught, and the game ended in a tie, amidst a scene of excitement without parallel at the Oval since the Test Match of 1902.

In all probability Surrey would have won with ease but for the overnight rain. As it was, they should have won, for Knox and Smith sacrificed an easy single from an overthrow through Smith failing to watch a return. He had made up his mind to keep the bowling, and did not look round until it was too late. Though Surrey had the worst of the wicket, and fought their uphill fight with great pluck and skill, a tie was by no means an unsatisfactory result, for the match was one of the best and keenest games played at the Oval for several seasons. The fielding of both sides was superb on the last two days. Humphreys, it is true, misjudge of a long-field catch at the most critical period of the game, but it was a small blemish, even though the mistake might have, and nearly did, cost Kent the game.

The last "tie" match in which Surrey participated was the famous game with Lancashire at the Oval in 1894, though the 1885 match with the same country was almost as exciting, Surrey requiring five runs to win when the last man came in. They won by one wicket. Another exciting game was the match with Middlesex at the Oval in 1900. On that occasion 18 runs were required when the last Middlesex man came in, and Surray lost by one wicket. In all Surrey have now played six tie matches—one with Lancashire in 1894, two with Kent (1905 and 1847), two with Middlesex (1868 and 1876), and one with M.C.C. (1868). One Gentlemen v. Players' match at the Oval ended in a tie. Curiously enough, on that occasion a dropped catch in the long field, as on Saturday, affected the result at the most critical period of the game.

Last Saturday's tie match at the Oval raises a nice point so far as the county championship table is concerned. A tie is not a draw from one point of view, though it is the truest of draws from another. One of the sporting paper has boldly reckoned the tie as a half win, half loss, but this is obviously absurd, for a game that ends even cannot be either a win or a loss. To reckon it a half win and a half loss is to do both counties an injustice, as can be demontrated by a simple appeal to facts. If Surrey v. Kent had ended in the ordinary draw—i. e., if the game had been left unfinished,—then the percentage of both counties would have been unchanged, for draws are ignored. As it is, the percentages of both have been lowered by the tie being reckoned a half win, half loss, since a loss always diminishes a percentage more than a win raises it. Suppose, for example, Surrey had had 100 per cent to their name before the game with Kent, and Yorkshire were in a similar position, then the tie would have given Yorkshire a greater percentage on this principle, though a draw would not have done so. It is clear, therefore, that a tie should count as a draw. At the same time an official ruling on the point would be welcome.

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BISHOP'S AND ST. MARY'S HIGH SCHOOLS

THE Annual Prize Distribution of the above Schools was held on Saturday at 5 p.m. in the Bishop's High Schools Concert Hall, Poona, H. E. the Governor who had kindly consented to give away the prizes arrived punctually to time, accompanied by Capt Greig A. D C, Mrs DuBoulay and Mrs. Wodehouse. They were met on their arrival by the Headmaster (Mr. A J Dunns) the Rev T A Rambert and the Hon Secretary, (Rev C Hatchell) A Guard of Honour of the Cadet Company was drawn up in front of the School which his Excellency inspected and then proceeded to the Hall which was well filled with parents and friends of the scholars. The Report of the two Schools was read by the Hon. Secretary after which the Prizes were distributed by his Excellency. His Excellency in the course of his speech congratulated the School on their Cadet Company and expressed his great satisfaction at the appearance of the Guard of Honour that he had just inspected. The idea of a Register of Old Boys met with his hearty approval and he expressed a hope that all O B's would combine to make it as complete as possible. With regard to St Mary's School who had not had a single failure amongst all the candidates that they had sent up (38 in all, he considered that there could be no higher proof of the excellent teaching which this School provided and he congratulated the Sisters and the Teaching Staff on their great success.

A vote of thanks to H E the Governor was proposed by the Hon Mr E H Fulton, the scholars showing their approval of it by giving him three hearty cheers. H E then inspected the museum which the boys of the Junior School had made and the drawing and needlework done by the girls. After having seen the classrooms and the dormitory of the Boys' Schools he drove away. By kind permission of Lt Col O, Mosse and the Officers, the Band of the 114th Mahrattas played a selection of music in the School ground which was much appreciated by both parents and scholars.

The Lord Bishop of Bombay wrote expressing his regret at being unable, to attend but an ordination on Sunday at Bombay prevented him.

BOMBAY CORPORATION.

An adjourned meeting of the Bombay Corporation was held in the Municipal Council Hall, yesterday afternoon, the Hon. Sir Pherozeshaw Mr. Mehta, presiding.

THE ROYAL VISIT.

CORPORATION ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

The Corporation considered as urgent business the report of the Committee appointed by them to draft the address of welcome

themselves on the feet that after all they were going to have electric energy in one of the wards of the city.

The resolution was adopted.

BOMBAY CROWS.

Mr. R. J. Kent moved that a Committee be appointed to consider whether it was feasible to reduce the number of "Bombay Crows" and if so, what means should be adopted to attain that end. Mr. Kent said the crow was generally complained of as a nuisance in hospitals and other places and he thought a start might be made towards reducing its number in the Fort by employing boys to collect the bird's eggs.

Dr. K. E. Dadachanji seconded the propsition, which was carried.

RAILWAY SIDINGS AT WARI BUNDER.

The Corporation considered a letter from the Commissioner requesting sanction to the Port Trustees being permitted to lay railway sidings on a portion of Frere Road extension near the G. I. P Railway Goods Yard at Wari Bunder. The Commissioner in his letter stated as follows :—

"I have to forward herewith a plan showing a portion of Frere Road extension near the G. I. P. Railway Goods Yard at Wari Bunder. The Port Trustees have at this place laid a Railway Siding and further propose to construct another siding. The uncoloured portion of this road was originally ground belonging to the Government and the area coloured red was the property of the Port Trustees. The need of extending the Frere Road northwards so as to connect with Mazagaon having long been felt, Government on the representation of the then Municipal Commissioner were in the year 1880 pleased to make over to the Municipality free of charge the land belonging to them and the Municipality secured possession of the plot of land coloured red belonging to the Port Trustees by giving them in exchange a plot of Municipal ground in the vicinity. The necessary land having thus been obtained, the extension of the road was carried out by the Municipality in 1880 from funds sanctioned by the Corporation for the purpose under their Resolution of 18-2-1880. About the beginning of last year the Port Trustees, in the erroneous belief that the uncoloured portion of the ground above referred to was still the property of Government and that the area coloured red still belonged to them, constructed the siding. When the work of the siding was commenced by the Port Trustees, the illegality of their action in having the rails laid on a public street without the sanction of the Corporation was pointed out to them and they were informed that the Municipality would remove the rails. The Port Trustees, however, proceeded with the work alleging that the major portion of the siding crossed their own property and that it only slightly touched the corner of Government land. From the records of this Office it has since been possible to clearly establish the title of the Municipality to the ground crossed by the rails and the Port Trustees have now withdrawn their contention and expressed their willingness to abide by certain conditions in consideration of the Municipality granting the necessary permission. I forward herewith a draft agreement embodying the conditions for the siding already laid and for that now proposed to be constructed, and have the honour to request the sanction of the Corporation under Section 293 (1) of the Municipal Act to permission being granted to the Port Trustees to lay the sidings in question."

On the motion of Sir Bhalchundra Krishna, the Corporation sanctioned the permission asked for by the Port Trustees to lay the sidings in question.

ENFORCEMENT OF THE SET-BACK.

The following motion which stood in the name of Mr. Kazi Kabiruddin was carried :—That the Municipal Commissioner be requested to submit the following information to the Corporation from 1st January 1904 to 31st July 1905 :—(1) The number of buildings constructed within the set-back lines of the streets. (2) The number of such houses in which the set-back was not enforced and the reasons for the same. (3) The number of house-owners who in spite of Municipal demands constructed the buildings on the set-back lines ; (4) If so (a) whether they were prosecuted and the result of such prosecutions and (b) whether after convictions those unauthorised constructions were removed ; if not on whose responsibility were they allowed to remain ?'

UNDESIRABLE EXCAVATIONS.

On the motion of Sir Bhalchundra Krishna the following letter from Commissioner was recorded :—'With reference to the Resolution of the Corporation of the 13th February 1905, requesting the Commissioner to report as to whether it is desirable to revert to the use of sand stone excavated within the Island in to order to keep the roads in proper condition, I have the honour to state that having consulted the Executive Engineer and the Executive Health Officer on the subject, I cannot recommend the proposal. I am advised that although sand-stone is supperior to sand as a binding material for roads, its use does not entirely prevent the nuisance from dust, while from a sanitary point of view it is very undesirable to allow the quarrying of sand-stone within the limits of the City. The holes and depressions thereby created would soon provide breeding places for innumerable mosquitoes and the persistent endeavours now being made to fill up existing tanks, pools, quarry holes etc. in order to exterminate mosquitoes would be rendered nugatory and we should simply be creating so many fresh centres for the propagation of malaria. Should immediate filling in of any excavations be rigidly insisted on, it would add so enormously to the cost of the sand stone as to render its use impracticable. With regard to the enquiry as to whether it would not be possible to acquire sites for the purposes of excavation I have the honour to state that having regard to the developments that are taking place in the north of the Island such acquisition would be both costly and undesirable.

This concluded the business before the meet ing.

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—In reference to the telegrams regarding irregularities in certain American Insurance Companies contained in your issue of 23rd instant, I have to-day received telegraphic instructions to state that the New York Life Insurance Company has no concerns in any such irregularities.

I should be obliged, therefore, if you will be good enough to publish this letter in your next issue.—Yours, &c.,

O. C. B. WIMBUSH.

Bombay, Sept 25.

THE JAPANESE WAR RELIEF FUND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—As the terrible war in the Far East happily has come to an end, we propose to close the War Relief Fund of the Society on the 15th of next month, and now we deem it our pleasant duty to offer to the public our deep gratitude for the substantial support and warm sympathy we have received from them in our attempt to lessen the horrible effects of the war.—Yours, &c.,

S. HAYASHI,
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STRAND ROAD NUISANCE.

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SIR,—The Strand Road, facing the Harbour, is one of the finest thoroughfares in this beautiful city, and, lately, the view of the ghats on the opposite side, with H. M. S. Hyacinth and other shipping in the middle distance, has been perfectly lovely. In most cities in the world such a magnificent site would be jealously guarded and every precaution taken to preserve the neighbourhood from all human pests. But it is almost impossible to make use of this fine promenade without being annoyed by the musical (? Lord save the mark ! ! !) beggars and contortionists who are always lying in wait for the first stranger who makes his appearance. These children smack their naked bodies and scream and yell at the top of their voices, and when the passer-by happens to be a lady, their attentions, to say the least of it, are most unpleasant. Could not a police sepoy be placed on duty on this road, with instructions to move on all such annoying creatures ? And, as peasant, I would also like to ask, is the footpath meant as a seat for numerous Ayahs and their progeny and male admirers ? I fancy some of the visitors to the Taj Mahal Hotel could tell strange stories of the nocturnal noises on this oil-bottee lighted promenade.—Yours, &c.,

A CONSTANT VISITOR.

"SOUVENIRS SUR LORD CURZON."

Such is the somewhat too ambitious title given by M. Raymond Recouly to some impressions, evidently those of a passing globe-trotter, printed in the "Temps" of the 31st August.

When I saw Lord Curzon, Baron Kedlestone, I had the good fortune to behold him in his proper frame, among glistening uniforms, bands playing, and in the midst of all the sumptuousness of his Court. It was the evening of the 'the State ball, the Government ball, the great event,' the principal ceremonial of the social season at Calcutta. For Calcutta has its season, and a very brilliant and splendid season it is. Simla in summer, Calcutta in winter are the two poles which attract the most charming women of British India, the wives, these, of the highest officials. And since the Indian official can rarely get away from his district (for if he gets a very good salary, he has to labour in proportion, being in this respect the opposite of our officials who are like the horses of Harpagon, working little and eating less) his charming wife makes it her business to add the attraction of her presence to the dances and dinners at headquarters, and spends the greater part of the family income in the enjoyments of society.

"Well then, it was the Viceroy's ball. To the gilded ceilings corresponded the gold lace on the uniforms, and how magnificent was the full dress donned by the warriors. The Civilians themselves, not to be quite outdone in splendour, had adorned the severity of their black costumes with rich buttons of metal. On the bared bosoms of the women diamonds flashed. When the orchestra struck up its music, Hindus, grave as priests at a religious service, attired in tall turbans and long scarlet coats, bare of foot, held cords on either side of the room to prevent the promenaders from getting in the way of the whirling couples. As soon as the dance was finished, they rolled up the cords and stood, motionless and impassive, like stone statues on the verge of the chattering crowd. At the back of all, receiving salutations and distributing smiles, the Viceroy in his gala dress of knee-breeches and silk stockings ; the Viceroy, with his Napoleonic profile, was, as it were, the supreme adornment of the viceregal function. The Viceroy of India ought to make a gallant show. That is what the English expect of him, and on this point at all events Lord Curzon was the man to satisfy them. He made a great advance on his predecessors in this matter. His 'family' was a real court, ruled by the severest etiquette. He had his petits levers and his grands levers just like the old time ceremonial of Versailles. His private fortune (he married in America), added to his splendid salary, permitted him to aim at and attain a really royal state. At the Durbar, held at Delhi to commemorate the coronation of Edward VII, he was prodigal in his hospitalities and actually contrived to eclipse the most opulent of the Hindu Rajas.

"Lord Curzon was an imperious head of the State, and had an eye to everything. He had the military as much under his thumb as the Civilians, and it was just because he refused to surrender a scrap of his authority that he is now leaving his post. He would rather break than bend. The officers of the Bengal Army will long remember the terrific reprimand they got from the Viceroy when the manœuvres failed to satisfy him. One day, when Lord Curzon was in the chair at a meeting of Eurasian (the metis of India having a mixture of Indian and English blood) he frankly poured cold water on claims most of which were unanswerable enough, and refused to give them the name of Anglo-Indian which they habitually apply to themselves. He let them understand, with cruel freedom of speech, that everything in India was and always would be for the pure English, the English born in England.

"Having under his orders an incomparable corps of officials, men who are intelligent, and energetic and know their work and love it, it was possible for him to leave to them the business of the administration and turn his thoughts elsewhere. Lord Curzon, the Imperialist, supervised rather the exterior than the internal policy of his empire. Domestic reform were much less his care than the dangers he foresaw on the border. Like all Englishmen in India, and even more than they he believed in the reality of Russian peril.' He was preoccupied with the incessant advance of the Slavs. He compared them to a formidable wave of aggression which was to roll from Central Asia and burst some day on the Indian frontier. In reality this Russian peril was and remains the most imaginary of terrors. It is a chimœra, a dream-building which the smallest reflection ought to upset. But by dint of always talking of it, people have come to believe in it That a chamber strategist, that a beginner at geography, working on a cheap map and measuring with a compass the small space which separates Herat from Peshawar, the Russian border from the English, should discover with the intuition of genius that the frontiers all but touch ; and that the day must soon come when the Whale will come into conflict with the Bear.—that is intelligible. But the English, so reasonable, so cool, the English who study countries elsewhere than on small scale maps, how did they let themselves be hypnotised to this degree ? I have been as far as Peshawar on the Indian border, and I can assure you that our own Eastern frontier is guarded with much less minute precautions. You would imagine that the enemy may only a few miles off, ready to make a sudden irruption against which it was necessary to take precautions at every moment, and yet the Russians are hundreds of miles away and quite incapable of bringing up enough troops, provisions or ammunition for a serious campaign. Between them and the English are in the first place, the Himalayas, crossed only passes as high as Mont Blanc, across which only camels, mules, and their native drivers can make their way. There is all Afghanistan, inhabited by wild warriors ready to make short work of any invaders, no matter who they may be. I do not know whether it has never entered seriously into the mind of any Russian that India can be attacked. There are lunatics everywhere. But the English should never have allowed themselves to be scared by such foolish projects. In any case, their fears ought to be effectually dissipated nowadays. They ought to tell themselves that the expensive fortifications they have built at the Khyber Pass will probably never be used, and, as for the battalions they have raised, they, if they should ever be wanted, will be wanted, elsewhere than in—India!

Lord Curzon, who first came into notice as the author of a book on Persia, made the acquaintance of the Russians in that country and did not like them. And, to be sure, things in Persia are not as they are in India. It touches the Russian possessions on many points: it is half absorbed into their dominions already; it may well be totally absorbed some day.

Lord Curzon contracted a disease in Persia which he has never been able to shake off—acute Russophobia. Always on the watch spying an adversary whom he imagined to be much more terrible and aggressive than he really is, he thought he saw Russian machinations everywhere, and replied to them by formidable reprisals out of all proportion to the cause which had provoked them. He was always using a steam-hammer to crack a nut. A poor Buddhist monk created relations between St. Petersburg and Lhassa. Lord Curzon at once imagined that the Russian had laid hands on Tibet, and organised Younghusband's foolish expedition, which cost enormous sums and yielded no appreciable result. When a Russian steamer company established a service between Odessa and the Persian Gulf, Lord Curzon was in a fever of anxiety. Immediately a much talked of cruise was ordered and English armour clads poked their cannons into the tiniest ports of a miserable and desolate coast where there is nothing absolutely nothing except, sand flies and vermin. Lord Curzon, an indefatigable worker, imperious in his manners and imperialist in his ideas, was much beloved by the English in India, for his defects as well as his good qualities. He did things on a grand scale, and that was bound to please his subordinates. The Englishman in India feels his superiority, he knows himself to be a ruler, the natives call him sahib (master). Lord Curzon, in all his pomp and surrounded by his lictors, suited him perfectly. He was the model of Proconsule."

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m., yesterday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Plague Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade ...	1	1	5
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri.....	1	1	12
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	1	1	14
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Malabar Hill	0	0	5
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada.....	1	1	13
F Parel, Sewree and Sion ...	0	0	8
G Mahim and Worli	0	0	9
Water Division	0	0	0
North-Resident and Unknown ospitals	0	1	9
Total.....	4	5	75
Total plague deaths to date ...	304	573	993,008
Same date last year	7	3	83

ENGLISH LIFE.

OPINIONS may differ about London, but captious indeed must be the person who fails to find an incomparable charm in rural England. One may even hate the cities of Great Britain and love the country. Perhaps if you do love the country very much you would be quite likely to hate the cities.

A thorough appreciation of the English country presupposes a love of trees, and birds, and flowers, and streams. Perhaps, too, it means seeing them, in May and June, as did the American girl, although, having come under the spell at that time, one cannot believe that the country in England ever is unlovely, even in the damp, chilly days that take the colour out of everything. There are spots, no doubt, even large tracts, of deadly, uninteresting character in England, but they kept out of the way marvellously, while one charming region leads on to another, making the traveller forgetful of any other sort if he has had a glimpse of it in passing.

One of the first impressions that an American gets, is that of surprise that there is so much country in a populous little island like Great Britain. Some way in spite of knowledge that there are vast estates in England, one can't help feeling that it is a crowded place, that one city or town runs into another and that the spaces between are thick with houses. When, therefore, one travels for miles and miles hardly seeing a human habitation, the effect is bewildering. Yet in no part of England does one feel a sense of desolation or of isolation. The land belongs to someone, and has for centuries. Not only do the owners ride over it but the public walks over it. If they now, they once did. Perhaps battles were fought on it. It is peopled with memories and associations and traditions, if not by living folk.

The English people, says an American girl in the "Telegraph" enjoy their country far more than the Americans do theirs. Rarely does one see a path leading across a field in the United States. If there is one it is only for the accommodation of the farm workers. To go out walking in the fields there merely for the sake of walking through the country would brand one as being at least peculiar. Besides, a brisk American farmer wouldn't permit such performances on his farm. Gates are hard to open, and there are practically no stiles. Even the farmer's family does not walk through the fields. If they want to go to any place, they "hitch up" a horse and drive. Otherwise they stay in the house. In the villages it is much the same, and if anyone desires to go for a walk, he promenades up and down the main street. In the long evenings and on Sundays, the American girl admired the picture made by persons of all ages picking flowers or walking about on the green turf. For, herself she found the paths across the fields one of the most fascinating things in England. The first one was a revelation to her. She discovered it while she was yet in London. An instinct led her to take a train one day and get off at a certain station. In a few minutes she came into Epping Forest. That was surprise and delight enough, but it was only the prelude to the finding of the path which was of greater significance, since it gave her the keynote for a delightful plan of travel. A deaf man sat by the roadside and was unable to help the girl on her way until she wrote on paper, "Which is the way to Waltham Abbey ?" Then he pointed, with a flourish of his stick, down a shady road. Before she had gone far he gave a mighty shout and indicated that she should turn to the left. Instinctively she looked for a gate, and seeing none hesitated ; but as the old man continued to shout and point, she turned and then saw a rude stile, over which she passed into a green field more thickly bedight with buttercups than anything she had ever seen. The yellow flowers parted to make a soft green path. The field was bordered with hawthorn, still white, and there was the most exquisite concert of songbirds she had ever listened to. A fine mansion barely showed among some great trees at a little distance. The sun was sinking with a soft radiance over everything. This was the England of the American girl's fancy, but she had always thought it too good to be true. One field led into another, and the beauty persisted right up to the town. After walking through the old abbey she wandered out into the fields beyond. You want to see Harold's bridge, the oldest bridge in England ? some children asked her, and when she declined their services as guides they took themselves off contentedly and sat down in the long grass among the buttercups. Some workmen strolled by and several poor women. It is not possible to pity the poor in England when they have such environment" thought the American girl, and she never was able to get over that feeling, impracticable and unreasonable though it was. So many of the cottages of the poor were so picturesque and their setting so full of charm, and really no one looked hungry or in real distress.

Not only do the English seem to know how to enjoy their country, but it is perfectly safe for them to do it. In some of the most beautiful rural districts in America, women cannot walk out alone with any feeling of security. In the South the fear of the negro, and in the North the fear of the tramp, deter women from going out alone in the country. The American girl tramped many miles in England with a girl companion and neither of them ever for a moment felt the least timidity or had any reason to feel it. The wonderful long twilights, lasting up until ten o'clock during part of their trip, were irresistible temptations to pleasant after-dinner strolls, frequently over roads of which the pedestrians had no certain knowledge. Never, however, did they run into danger or even into unsolvility. In crossing a field there was nothing more startling to be encountered than the frank curiosity of disturbed sheep or farm hands. A goodly portion of Devon and Cornwall, and parts of several other countries were tramped over without any misadventure. The American girl wondered if it would have been possible to have covered so much territory with the same immunity at home. She could not imagine herself, or any of her friends, undertaking such a trip. They did not meet with any Englishwomen who had carried out an expedition on quite the same scale, but so many of them walk short distances that a difference in degree causes only mild surprise.

Surely there is no such delightful or thorough way of seeing a country like England, where distances are comparatively short, and where the most charming views are almost invariably off the main road. If you want a bit of the coast there is no way but to scramble over rocks, walk on the beaches when the tide is out, and in general to keep the line as Nature formed it. This is particularly true along the west coast of Cornwall, which is well worth any amount of effort. To the American girl it constantly suggested the Maine coast in her own country, although the water was more wonderfully blue and the caverns more numerous and deeper than those on the rocky shore of New England.

Next to going on foot, unless you have the motor craze, coaching is the most satisfactory way of seeing the best side of the English country. It even has one or two advantages over foot travel. Views that are sometimes shut off from the pedestrian when he keeps to the road are visible from the top of a coach. If time is any object, too, the coach comes in handily, yet does not rush by the fairest places with the exasperating celerity of a railway train. A combination of walking and coaching, if one can fit it in right is admirable. One morning the American girl and her companion walked down the long, winding well-shaded drive of the private park, kept up by the owner, and open to the public an admirable practice on many English estates which is seldom followed by American millionaire owners of fine estates. At the lodge on the public road they were picked up by a coach, and bowled through a less interesting part of the country, taking up their walk again late in the day. Almost better than the coach, if one does not wish to walk all of the time is the private conveyance which can be hired very cheaply in many parts of the country. You can arrest or divert your course at will in this way, and besides, the driver is likely to be an interesting character; also, you can keep out of the way of the tourists, who do not improve primitive scenes, especially when they swarm upon them.

The pedestrians came at nightfall into a village quaint and serene. By noon the next day it was noisy with excursionists. The natives were corrupted into a bargaining crew, ready to sell their birthright for a wretched pittance. The pedestrains shook the dust from their sandals, and fled to districts undiscovered by touring parties.

Much of England is like a garden in the eyes of Americans. Even where the country is left in its natural condition, there is a trimness about it that suggests cultivation. The turf is thicker and smoother, the trees grow differently from those in the United States, there are more flowers, the rivers and streams are more neatly bordered. In America so many of the rivers cut deeply into the soil leaving rough banks, with unevenly distributed vegetation. There are many more singing birds in England than in America, so that the ear is pleased as well as the eye.

The variety to be had in a small area is a feature that appeals strongly to the enthusiastic pedestrian. To-day one may wander almost from sunrise to dark under the trees ; to-morrow there will be level meadows the next day hills, the day after the moors. Almost always one is near rivers or the sea. There are long stretches where one sees no other person, and again there are hamlets or towns constantly springing up each with some characteristic worth taking note of.

Even people who live in the country in England, do not despise it as country folk do their surroundings in the United States. The American girl stopped for a few days with some English friends. They had built a new house and were as pleased as they should have been, because it was so surrounded by fields and woods that they could not go anywhere without walking through them. At least three-fourths of their waking hours were spent out of doors. In the afternoon they put up hampers, and went into the woods for tea.

As many Americans do when they visit England the American girl made a pilgrimage to the home of her ancestors. Since she had fallen so deeply in love with the Englishcountry she had more than once exclaimed, "Why did my forefathers leave so beautiful a country, and why do people leave it to-day ?" When she told an Englishman to what corner of England she was going he replied rather deprecatingly "Oh, that is one of the most densely-populated districts in Great Britain ; you must not expect to find the country so beautiful there."

It was with some misgiving that she saw the fields growing less fertile and the signs of mining and manufacturing more abundant. If her ancestors had lived in conditions like that no wonder they had fled to America. It was the first disappointing landscape she had seen in England. The town, too, at which she left the train looked unpromising. The clatter of clogs caught her attention. Here at least was something interesting. Women with shawls drawn about them and children came from the factories. This was not at all the England of her imagination and it rather spoiled her picture. The carriage was soon ready, however, and she started on her journey. In less than half an hour she was again in the England of green fields, and her courage revived. Only the glimpse of a tall chimney now and then assured her that the ugliness had not been a nightmare. "Who lives in that beautiful place with the great park ?" she asked the driver. "Mr.—; he owns mines, and is powerful rich." Again the cloud grew, so many persons had to live in such sordid conditions that this man might live in beauty "And who lives there ?" she inquired again. "Squire—, the brother of Lord—." That sounded better ; he probably did not own mines or factories "But he don't come there often, only now and then for the shooting," volunteered the coachman further.

The American girl began to feel better satisfied, that her ancestors had gone to America. She stopped at an old country church, and went in. More persons of her name were buried there than she had ever seen alive. She sat in a pew that had the coat of arms carved on it and the date fifteen hundred and something, and tried to count how many great grandfathers back had had it done.

The old crone who kept the post office in a corner of a tiny shop across the way replied, when she asked the way to——Hall : Yes, it's up the road, and turn to the left, but they aint no one lives there now they be all dead ; you can read their names in the church.

It sounded very dark and unpromising but the American was not to be daunted. At last they came to a neat lodge, but no one answered and the iron gates were locked.

A countryman offered the information that the lodge-keeper had gone on a visit, and the driver suggested that going back to town would be the most comfortable thing to do. The girl walked along the stone wall until she came to a break in it. Never before had she experienced a feeling of desolation in England, but that was because she had never been on a deserted estate before. She believes that there is nothing equal to it for loneliness. Rabbits scurried across her path, and she started nervously. The drive was partly grass-grown, and the grass on the lawns was untrimmed. At last she came to the house. There were more iron gates, but one of them yielded. The rhododendrons grew almost as tall as the iron fence. Everything grew as it would. The windows of the old stone house stared blankly at the intruder. A woman came out, and the girl explained that her ancestors had lived in the hall, for hundreds of years. "Yes, but they be all dead now, and Squire—owns the place," she told her.

The girl thanked the caretaker for letting her look at the house, and turned away. If one analysed it the scene before her was as fine as any she had seen in England. The trees were very large and old, fields were green and broad and one had a glimpse of the sea almost twenty miles away, perhaps further. Yet it was the only part of England that depressed her. The family that was all dead, the squire who did not live on the place, the background of tall chimneys and grimy workers were neither soothing nor inspiring. English country she concluded is fairest when one takes it on its face, and leaves personal relations out of the reckoning. They are aways likely to be disturbing.

A BUILDING CONTRACTOR'S CLAIM.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar, presiding at the High Court, has given judgment in the suit filed by Hunsraj Valji, a building contractor, against Narsilal Amberam, to recover a sum of Rs. 2,400, being the stipulated price of erecting buffalo stables for the defendant at Matunga. Mr. Davar and Mr. F. Syrabji Taleyarkhan, instructed by Messrs. Mulla and Mulla appeared for the plaintiff ; and Mr. Padshah and Mr. Bahadurji, instructed by Messrs. Sorabji and Jehangir, appeared for the defendant.

The plaintiff stated that by an agreement in writing, it was agreed between him and the defendant that the plaintiff should build for him on his land at Matunga, a buffalo stable and receive Rs. 2,400 for price of labour and materials. A portion of the sum was to be paid in advance. The stable had been completed, but the defendant declined to pay the full amount agreed upon.

The defendant, by his written statement, denied that the agreement was in writing ; and stated that by an oral agreement, plaintiff had undertaken to build the stables according to the directions given him by defendant's engineer. He had failed to carry out the directions, inasmuch as he had used inferior materials and bad workmanship. The stables had been surveyed by defendant's engineer who valued them at Rs. 1,900. Defendant contended that he had already paid to the plaintiff a sum of Rs. 400 in advance ; and he was ready and willing to pay the balance of Rs. 1,500. His lordship, after hearing the evidence for three days in giving judgment, said that he had arrived at the conclusion that the agreement was not in writing. As regards the work done by the plaintiff, his lordship held that he had carried out substantially the directions of the defendant's engineer except in certain particulars which the engineer himself had specified to the Court. The plaintiff was, therefore, not entitled to recover the whole amount of his claim ; and the Court would award him Rs. 2,000. As regards the alleged payment of Rs. 400, his lordship held that no such payment had been made to the plaintiff by the defendant, and the entry in the account book of witness Jivraj appeared to be a fabrication. His lordship, therefore, passed a decree in favour of the plaintiff for Rs. 2,000, and ordered the defendant to pay three-fourths of the plaintiff's costs of the suit.

EVIDENCE ON OATH.

HOW BILE BEANS CURE CONSTIPATION.

"I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the Statutory Declarations Act." So said Miss Ettie Palmer, of Back 253, Great Colmore Street, Birmingham, (England) when giving testimony on oath how Chas. Forde's Bile Beans had cured her of constipation; which in her case actually led to stoppage of the bowels. She continued:—So severely was I affected by long continued constipation that I was not thought I should live. Indeed, the clergyman of the parish came to pray at my bedside, so near death was I. The doctor called in a physician, and it was said my only hope of life lay in an operation. I was taken to the Hospital, but at the last moment my parents stopped all the proceedings and had me taken back home. This was in consequence of what they had heard about the power of Bile Beans, and I was started upon a course immediately. From the first I improved, and within a brief period my bowels were acting normally. I gradually got stronger, and in a short time was back at work. Since then, I have worked for twelve months, and have never had a trace of my old complaint."

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IF YOUTH BUT KNEW.

(Concluded from page 4.)

"And amid all your 'lores,' where does life-lore come in ?" Life-lore, as we know, has two Greek equivalents—zoology and biology. The enumerations and classifications of zoology are so essentially attractive to children that some instruction in them might probably precede all the rest. Then, in its due course, geology would lead up to the rudiments of biology ; and by the time the youthful mind was ready to conceive them, it would be brought face to face with the absorbing problems of the Origin of Species and the Descent of Man.

"In short, you would simply substitute a scientific curriculum for the classical and literary curriculum hitherto implied in a 'liberal education' ?"

Not at all ; we have not yet reached the point at which we can profitably consider the due place and function of classics in a rational scheme of training. We have not yet arrived at the parting of the ways. All that I have hitherto urged is that every boy, whatever course of study or path of life, he is ultimately to follow, should be encouraged and assisted to use his eyes, and not to let the fog of unthinking familiarity shut him off from the marvels he daily and nightly sees around him, on earth and in the heavens. He can proceed in science so far as I have indicated without a single numerical calculation or quantitative analysis. He can become a shallow smatterer, in fact ! Alas ! we must be content in this life to be smatterers in most things, if only we can go a little deeper into one or two. But I do not think that a knowledge in wide outline of the phenomena and processes of nature, accompanied by a habit of noting them with wonder instead of passing them by in dull indifference, can rightly be called a smattering.

Many boys, of course, would find in one or more of these branches of science the main interest of their lives. They would cease to smatter ; they would concentrate, specialise, and enrol themselves by natural affinity in one or other corps of the great army of searchers into the arcana of nature. But whatever is to be a man's main interest and pursuit, he cannot afford to shut himself up in it until he has a clear general conception of that marvellous concatenation of phenomena in the midst of which his lot is cast. To whichever of the Muses he may ultimately swear allegiance, he must first do homage to those Titan sisters of an elder race, Astronomy and Geology. Geology teaches us the meaning of Time, Astronomy carries us as near as the mind can go to the conception of Eternity.

In Aladdin's Palace then I feebly figured the domain of Science. Still more feebly, perhaps, the Adventures of Sindbad shadowed forth the chequered fortunes of humanity in this its obscure corner of the universe. In my next paper I shall try to co-ordinate, History with Science as the twin-constituent in a liberal education.

CENTRAL INDIA S. W. AND MAN. CO., LD.

THE following is the Directors' report, from 1st July 1904 to 30th June 1905 ;—

The Directors have pleasure in submitting to the Share-holders their Thirty-first annual report for the year ended 30th June 1905, together with the audited balance sheet, Revenue and Profit and loss Accounts. The total profits earned during the year are Rs. 18 84 857-9-6, to which is added balance brought forward Rs. 52,094-11-5, making a total of Rs. 19,37,552-4-11.

From this sum the Directors have paid ad-interim dividend at Rs. 50 per whole and Rs. 25 per half share Rs. 4,68,750 and credited to insurance fund Rs. 51,280, depreciation and renewal fund Rs. 2,05,700-1-3, provident fund Rs. 15,000, reserve fund Rs. 2,00,009, and officers' recreation room fund Rs. 500. They now recommend that a final dividend be paid at Rs. 90 and Rs. 45 per whole and half share absorbing Rs. 8 43,750 and carry forward to next account Rs. 1,52,572-1-8—total Rs. 19,37,552-4-1

The large income is due to cheaper cotton and greater outturn during the year than the previous one. The production was still not up to the full capacity of the machinery. Though Nagpure was fortunately free from Plague, yet, more or less scarcity of labour continued throughout the year, especially more during the cotton ginning and pressing season. Though the wages are rising, they have not attracted outside labour; but have led to somewhat greater irregularity, of attendance, than usual. Attempts were made to import work people but proved unsuccessful. The Directors contemplate building work-men's cottages in the hope that proper accommodation may induce imported hands to settle down ; and not to run away as they have done. The Directors are in negotiation with the Nagpur Municipality for a suitable plot of land for the purpose.

The sewing Thread experimental plant being too small and the trade demand being for a great variety of thread, the cost of making it runs too high and the trial therefore cannot be considered satisfactory. The Directors do not contemplate an extension of this class of business. The ginning factory at Khamgaon being removed to Warora the plot of land there has been sold for Rs 6,000. The directors have written off Rs. 7,485 7-6 and Rs. 50 835-7-5 from the building and machinery accounts respectively for old buildings demolished and old machinery thrown out, debiting the sums to the depreciation account. Owing to a fire at the Warora ginning factory, some loose cotton and a shed were burnt the value of which amounting to Rs. 1,550 is debited to the insurance fund account.

The Directors have placed to the credit of the members of the provident fund a sum equal to that contributed by them during the years, namely Rs. 8,192-6-9 debiting the same to the provident fund Account. The Directors having appointed Mr. Nowroji Bapuji Saklatvala a Director of the Company the Shareholders will be requested to confirm the appointment. Messrs. Ratanji Jamsetji Tata and Hormusji Edulji Bamji two of the present Directors, according to Article 82 of your deed, retire by rotation. They are however, eigible for re-election and offer themselves accordingly. The shareholders will be requested to elect auditors for the current year and fix their remuneration.

THE KHANDWA TRIAL.

The case in which Rustomji Darashah, late Permanent Way Inspector of the G.I.P. Railway Company, was charged with defrauding the Company, was again called on before Mr. Abdul Rehman, Extra Assistant Commissioner of Khandwa, on the 22nd instant.

The case had stood over for the examination of Mr. Blake, the late Resident Engineer in the employ of the G. I. P. Railway Company, and the immediate superior of the accused.

Mr. Binning for prosecution refused to examine Mr. Blake as his witness, and asked leave of the Court to treat him as a hostile witnesss and to cross-examine him.

Mr. Wadia strongly objected to this course and maintained that before he could be treated as a hostile witness the prosecution had to show to the Court that he was a hostile witness.

His worship called Mr. Blake as a Court witness under section 540 of the Criminanl Procedure Code and gave leave to both the sides to cross-examine him.

Mr. Blake in his evidence said that the accused was the quickest Permanent Way Inspector he had known. Witness had recollection of the ballast and the earthwork going on near Dongergaon Station in the beginning of this year. He said that the Railway Company had his note-book in their possession and it had not been produced. That note-book contained the number of ballast stacks and their rough heights that witness had observed during his inspections in which he was accompained by Mr. Riddle. He had also observed ballast thrown on the line which badly required ballast. In the ordinary course he received measurements of ballast from the accused. From what he had seen he had formed a rough idea of the quantity of ballast and his suspicions were never aroused that the accused had overcharged. He had checked both the ballast and the earthwork after measurements were supplied to him by the accused and he had no reason to suspect that anything was wrong. Witness said that both he and the accused were over-worked at the time as the operation of doubling the line was going on. Witnes would never have given the contract work to Hormasji Dhanjibhoy, as he was not able to do what he already had on his hands. The accused had nothing to do with the giving of the contracts.

The case stands adjourned.

BEAUTY AND HYGIENE.

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THE WEATHER.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

SIMLA, SEPT 25.

General rain has fallen in Chota Nagpour and Orissa, and nearly general rain in Bengal. Local showers have occurred in Burma, Bihar and East of the Central Provinces. Some showers have occurred in Assam and South India and on the Circars Coast. The chief amounts are : Raipur 3 inches, Mergui 2 inches Bogra 1 1-2 inch Bangalore, Jessore, Gaya, Chaibassa, Hazaribagh False Point, Cuttack and Waltair 1-2 an inch. The cyclonic storm has diminished in depth and moved in a North-Westerly direction to the neighbourhood of Raipur. The rain fall reported from the stations within the area of its influence is comparatively light except at Raipur. It seems likely that the path of the storm may curve somewhat and that it may move in a more Northerly direction. There are indications of disturbed weather to the East of the Andamans. General rain is probable at Chota Nagpur and Orissa, and nearly general rain in the South of Burma. Local showers are likely in North Burma, Bengal and East of the Central Provinces. Some showers may fall in Assam Bihar South India.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER AND CROP REPORTS, 25TH SEPTEMBER.

Amritsar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton ready for picking in some places. Cotton crop excellent. Crop prospects generally good.

Bhatinda.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton plants continue to show more improvement. Rabi sowings progressing favourably.

Mooltan.—Bright, no sign of rain. Seasonable. Cotton healthy and ready for picking in some places. Food-grains doing well. Outstanding crops benefiting by fine weather.

Delhi.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton picking commenced. Rain much needed generally for rabi crops.

Agra.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton plants ready for picking.

Cawnpore.—Seasonable. All crops doing well.

Beawar.—Bright, no sign of rain.

Amraoti.—Seasonable. Cotton healthy.

Khamgaon.—Looks like clearing up. Cotton plants showing bolls. Food-grains doing well.

Dhulia.—Seasonable. Cotton plants show

NAVAL AND MILITARY NOTES.

Mr. Archibald S. Hurd, in the "Fortnightly Review":—"The visit between the British and French Fleets which have occurred this year have indicated that in the present generation, at any rate, the English Channel will not be the scene of conflict. France has definitely abandoned all hoped of challenging the supremacy of the English Fleet. The English Channel and the Mediterranean are now centres of concord and friendship, and since all causes of international difference between Great Britain and the Powers of Southern Europe have been completely removed, the Mediterranean Fleet itself may almost be regarded as an additional reserve to the Channel Fleet, and the Channel Fleet itself can no longer regard the Channel as its cruising ground. It was a dictum of Nelson's that a fleet should cruise in the waters in which it will most probably fight, and since the English Channel and Mediterranean are thus ruled out as probable scenes of conflict, it naturally follows that the Channel Fleet will, in future be seen with increasing frequency in the North Sea. This frontier of the British Empire has been threatened by the growth of the German Navy and it is as natural that Great Britain should safeguard her interests in this direction as that France, Russia, and Germany should patrol their land frontiers with troops. The presence of the Channel Fleet in the North Sea is no more a menace to Germany than has been the old regime to France when the main fighting fleets of the British Navy cruised in the Mediterranean and the English Channel. . . . While safeguarding our own interests, we can afford to wait patiently for an awakening of a better feeling in the German Empire with which we we have so many natural ties. The German people need only cast back their minds to the successive years immediately succeeding the Kaiser's accession, when his Majesty was at Cowes, honoured and popular, to understand the feeling of real friendship which might unite the two Empires. Germany has nothing which we covet; we have no cause of quarred with her, and desire none. The policy of England is merely to hold steadfastly what she has won—and first among he. possessions is the supremacy of the seas, the northern as well as the southern seas, the North Sea as well as the English Channel and Mediterranean. It is the old traditional policy, and, by it we must stand."

The operations which have been taking place in the Southern Command, ending the week, the mail left were of a more than usually interesting character, and competent observers assure us that the troops have been admirably handled and have shown the greatest keenness and interest in their work. The lessons of South Africa have not been lost, and there is a much truer sense of the importance of cover, and of the rapid transmission of intelligence, though the signallers have been censured for acting too conspicuously and giving away the situation of the troops to w[illegible] were attached. The operation of securing and forcing the passage of a river is one of the most interesting in warfare, and one that gives abundant play to the abilities of rival commanders. The valley of the Avon has been the scene of much very clever military work and the manner in which the troops advanced and took up their positions was almost beyond praise. The Blue (Western) Army was, however, so concerned in the admirable development of its flank movement that the real object of preventing the passage at all costs of Red was overlooked, and the invader was left th pursue the main objective, coming into contact with only one-half of the defending force. There appears thus to have been a further illustration of the danger of acting on the assumption that the enemy will necessarily act as it is supposed he will do.

Unfortunately, however, there was a want of proper military perspective in the operations, owing to the fact that Sir Charles Knox had not been provided by the authorities with a cavalry force, and that his Red and Blue commanders had to depend entirely upon, companies of mounted infantry No armies in the situation of Red and Blue, one advancing and the other concentrating, would ever send out their advanced bodies without large forces of cavalry. All who have taken part in the operations are agreed that the training was of most practical character, and, perhaps particularly in regard to the methods of attack, was very instructive, but no soldier can doubt that the operations in their larger aspects were falsified by the absence of a proper mounted force. Thus, when the Blue commander was deceived into allowing his forces to be drawn into a series of secondary operations, while his rival pushed across the Avon, there can be no doubt that the failure was due to want of knowledge or recognition of the purposes of Red. In this, as in other operations, the presence of cavalry would presumably have charged the conditions altogether, and though we would be the last to seek to diminish the value of the exercises, we cannot but say that it is penny wise and pound foolish on the part of the authorities to employ troops in such work, and to deprive them of one essential factor in military operations, more especially as the Salisbury Plain district is peculiarly suited to the movements of cavalry. Sir Ian Hamilton has we are sure, too high an appreciation of the value of the mounted arm to make him content with the situation in this respect of his command.

Still there is no light upon the question of supply of officers. There can be no doubt that if we are to mobilise the Regular forces at home and in India and to bring up the Militia and Volunteers to their required strength, we shall require fully 7,000 officers, in addition to the 2,000 nominally available in the Reserve of Officers. We are aware that the War Office has under consideration this very vital matter, than which none is more worthy of attention, but there is no indication as yet as to how the authorities propse to supply the deficiency, especially in respect of captain and subalterns of the Reserve who would be far more necessary in case of war even than senior officers. From the various indications that are available, we can only come to the conclusion that the officer question as a whole is not being dealt with so judiciously as could be desired. We gave last week an official announcement as to the extension of the time for those who wish to compete for that qualifying certificate, which the wisdom of the authorities seems to think necessary as a bar to those who wish to enter the Army. As a correspondent said, it remains to be seen what progress these candidates can make in the additional three weeks, but if they take a sporting chance, they may perhaps experience a gambler's joy. The two years' course having abandoned at Sandhurst, 170 are to be admitted, and it appears to be rumoured that a further 100 are to be lifted from the ranks of the July failures—such being the presumed ideas of the authorities with reference to the efficiency of Army officers. We mention these points in order to suggest how very important, difficult, and delicate are the considerations that attend the provision of officers for the Army and the Reserve.

The Special Army Order of June 22, which regulated the consolidated pay and allowances of officers holding commands and staff appointments, has been a good deal discussed in the Army, and, though we do not question that the proposals were intended to place the officers concerned upon an equitable footing, there is unfortunately a feeling that, at least in certain ranks, officers are losers by the change. A correspondent, whose letter we publish in another column, expresses this view as regards the rank he holds, and his long experience of the Army entitles his opinion to the fullest consideration. He says that all officers concerned are financially heavy losers by the consolidation, and he remarks, in view of the present scarcity of officers that it must surely be bad policy to reduce the pay of the senior ranks. This he says, is not the way to encourage parents to put their sons into the Army, and we may add that it would seem to be a way to induce others to withdraw from it. As an instance of what he means our correspondent mentions the case of a full colonel commanding artillery who, under the old system, would have £1,050 a year, taking into consideration the allowance for his soldier servant, stabling fire, and light, whereas now his consolidated pay is fixed at £900. Moreover, when in camp he receives on camp allowance, and yet the wear and tear of camp life are very considerable. It is contended that the consolidated pay of the rank is not sufficient, nor likely to encourage good men to take up appointments. It is the view of our correspondent that under the new warrant it will scarcely be worth while to stop on, and that, from a monetary point of view, it would be more advantageous for the officer to take his pension as a lieutenant-colonel, and retire. It would be deplorable if this result should follow the consolidation of command and staff pay, and it is possible that the matter may present itself in a different light to other officers. We would however, draw attention to the argument and evidence of our correspondent, because they come from a very authoritative and experienced source.

WHAT the "Times" in its Engineering Supplement calls a "malicious and organised attack" has been made upon the steam turbine. The steam turbine happens to be a British invention. Certain German papers are full of its extraordinary and wholly imaginary demerits. The experts declare that their onslaughts have no foundation whatever, and are inspired from one common source. If the campaign were confined to Germany there would not be so much harm in it, but care is being taken to circulate the Press articles throughout the Continent and in the United States. This, remarks the "Evening Standard," is a new form of commercial enterprise—a distinctly German type.

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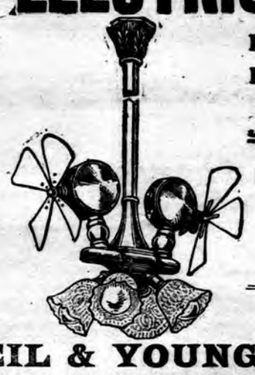

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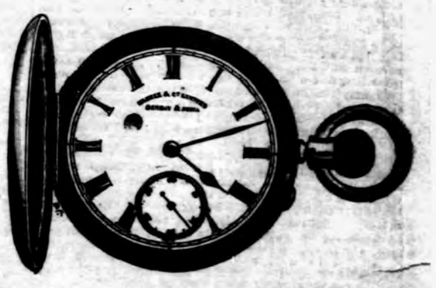

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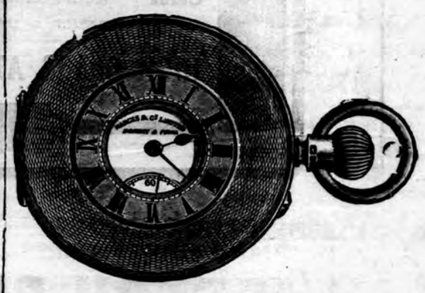

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